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1 [There is no reportable action as a result of the
2 Board of Supervisors closed session held today.]

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6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY, THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF
7 SUPERVISORS SEPTEMBER 27 MEETING WILL COME TO ORDER. LET ME
8 JUST STATE THAT FOR THE RECORD, WE DO NOT ALLOW APPLAUSE. IF
9 YOU WANT TO SHOW YOUR SUPPORT FOR AN ISSUE, YOU COULD JUST
10 RAISE YOUR HANDS, BUT WE DON'T ALLOW APPLAUSE DURING OUR BOARD
11 MEETINGS. YOU WANT TO SHOW -- EXPRESS SUPPORT OR OPPOSITION,
12 YOU CAN ALWAYS JUST RAISE YOUR HANDS LIKE THAT QUIETLY. WE'D
13 APPRECIATE THAT. WE'RE GOING TO FIRST BE OPENING OUR BOARD
14 MEETING IN PRAYER BY BISHOP JUAN CARLOS MENDEZ OF THE CENTRO
15 CRISTIANO BETEL CHURCH IN SOUTH GATE IN THE FIRST
16 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT AND OUR PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WILL BE
17 LED BY PETER DOUGLAS III, WHO IS THE COMMANDER OF POST NO.
18 280, EAST PASADENA, OF THE AMERICAN LEGION. AND THE AUDIENCE
19 WILL PLEASE RISE. AND BISHOP?

20

21 **BISHOP MENDEZ:** THANK YOU FOR COMING THIS MORNING. HEAVENLY
22 FATHER, WE COME BEFORE YOUR PRESENCE AND WE THANK YOU FOR THE
23 OPPORTUNITY OF PRAYING IN THIS BEAUTIFUL COUNTRY. LORD, WE
24 PRAY FOR OUR LEADERS, ESPECIALLY FOR OUR COUNTY OF LOS
25 ANGELES, FOR MAYOR ANTONOVICH, AND FOR EVERY SUPERVISOR THAT



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1 HAS A RESPONSIBILITY BEFORE YOU. LORD, I PRAY THAT THE
2 DECISIONS THEY MAKE TODAY WILL BE HONORABLE BEFORE YOU, THEY
3 WILL BE FAIR. AND AS YOUR PEOPLE, I PRAY, GOD, THAT YOU WILL
4 HELP US TO HAVE PEACE IN THE MIDST OF THE STORM. LORD, WE PRAY
5 FOR EVERY FAMILY IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES THAT'S
6 EXPERIENCING HARDSHIP. WE PRAY FOR OUR TEACHERS. WE PRAY FOR
7 OUR POLICEMEN. WE PRAY FOR OUR FIREMEN. WE PRAY FOR OUR
8 DOCTORS. WE PRAY FOR EVERY WORKER THAT MAKES THIS COUNTY A
9 WORTHY PLACE TO LIVE IN. LORD, WE PRAISE YOU AND THANK YOU
10 THIS MORNING, AMEN AND AMEN.

11

12 **PETER DOUGLAS III:** EVERYONE WILL PLEASE FACE THE AMERICAN
13 FLAG. PLACE YOUR RIGHT HAND OVER YOUR HEART AND REPEAT AFTER
14 ME. (PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE RECITED). THANK YOU.

15

16 **SUP. MIKE ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

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18 **SUP. MOLINA:** IT'S MY HONOR THIS MORNING TO PRESENT THIS
19 CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION TO BISHOP JUAN CARLOS MENDEZ. IN
20 1989, BISHOP JUAN CARLOS MENDEZ JOINED OTHER PASTORS AND
21 ESTABLISHED A SMALL CONGREGATION CALLED CENTRO CRISTIANO IN
22 SOUTHEAST LOS ANGELES. TODAY CENTRO CRISTIANO IS A THRIVING
23 PARISH WITH OVER 10,000 ACTIVE MEMBERS WORLDWIDE OFFERING
24 COMPASSIONATE SPIRITUAL GUIDANCE. OVER THE YEARS, THE BISHOP
25 HAS TRAVELED EXTENSIVELY AS A SPEAKER, TEACHER AND



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1 ADMINISTRATOR, FOCUSING ON OUTREACH AND INTERFAITH GATHERINGS
2 AT COLLEGES, SEMINARIES AND NUMEROUS DIVERSE COMMUNITIES
3 THROUGHOUT THE WORLD. WE THANK YOU FOR LEADING US IN A VERY,
4 VERY THOUGHTFUL INVOCATION. AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP
5 IN THE COMMUNITY. THANK YOU SO MUCH, SIR. [APPLAUSE.]

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ONCE AGAIN LET ME INTRODUCE PETER
8 DOUGLAS FROM ALTADENA, HE'S AN AMERICAN LEGION COMMANDER, POST
9 NO. 280, EAST PASADENA. HE SERVED IN THE UNITED STATES AIR
10 FORCE WITH THE RANK OF SERGEANT. AND HE ATTENDED PHILLIPS
11 CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL IN NEW JERSEY, AND UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN
12 CALIFORNIA, MARK'S FAVORITE UNIVERSITY, U.S.C. SO THANK YOU
13 FOR COMING DOWN. [APPLAUSE.]

14

15 **SUP. MIKE ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** CALL THE ROLL.

16

17 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** GOOD MORNING, MR. MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE
18 BOARD. WE WILL BEGIN TODAY'S AGENDA ON PAGE 2, PRESENTATIONS
19 AND SET MATTERS. ON SET MATTER ITEM NO. 1, 2 AND 3, WE WILL
20 HOLD FOR THE PUBLIC HEARING. ON PAGE 4, SET MATTER ITEM NO. 2,
21 AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA, THE DIRECTOR OF HEALTH
22 SERVICES REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO
23 OCTOBER 11, 2011. AND ALSO ON THIS ITEM, THERE'S A REQUEST
24 FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD IT. ON PAGE 5, PUBLIC
25 HEARINGS, ITEMS 4 THROUGH 10. ON ITEM NO. 5, AS INDICATED ON



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1 THE POSTED AGENDA, AT THE MEETING OF THE SEPTEMBER 13, 2011
2 THROUGH ITEM 37-B, THE BOARD INDICATED ITS INTENT TO CONTINUE
3 THIS ITEM WITHOUT DISCUSSION TO OCTOBER 4, 2011. AND ALSO ON
4 THIS ITEM, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO
5 HOLD IT. THE REMAINING ITEMS UNDER THE PUBLIC HEARING WE WILL
6 HOLD FOR THE PUBLIC HEARING. ON PAGE 9, ADMINISTRATIVE
7 MATTERS, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS NOS. 11 THROUGH 20, ON ITEM NO.
8 12, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS
9 ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 15, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE
10 PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 18, THIS INCLUDES THE
11 REVISION AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA AND ALSO
12 THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS
13 ITEM. 18. ON ITEM NO. 19, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF
14 THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THE ITEM. AND THE REMAINING ITEMS UNDER THE
15 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ARE BEFORE YOU.

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17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY, MOTION BY SUPERVISOR KNABE,
18 SECONDED WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

19
20 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON PAGE 11, CONSENT CALENDAR, ITEMS 21
21 THROUGH 24. ON ITEM NO. 21, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL
22 AGENDA, THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE
23 CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO OCTOBER 4, 2011. 21. AND ON THIS ITEM,
24 THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD IT. ON
25 ITEM NO. 22, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO



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1 HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 23, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS
2 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO OCTOBER 11,
3 2011. AND ON THIS ITEM, THERE'S ALSO A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER
4 OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THE ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 24, THERE'S A
5 REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON PAGE
6 12, DISCUSSION ITEM, ITEM NO. 25, SUPERVISOR MOLINA REQUESTS
7 THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO OCTOBER 4, 2011.

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9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA. SECONDED
10 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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12 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AND ON PAGE 16, NOTICES OF CLOSED SESSION,
13 ON ITEM CS-1, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO
14 HOLD THIS ITEM. AND THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF THE AGENDA.
15 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SPECIAL ITEMS BEGIN WITH SUPERVISORIAL
16 DISTRICT NO. 1.

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18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA, ANY ADJOURNMENTS?
19 OKAY. WE'LL DO THE PRESENTATIONS FIRST. SUPERVISOR MARK
20 RIDLEY-THOMAS, ANY PRESENTATIONS? NONE? SUPERVISOR
21 YAROSLAVSKY? SUPERVISOR KNABE? OKAY. ONCE AGAIN, THE COUNTY IS
22 GOING TO PROCLAIM THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER AS HYDROCEPHALUS
23 AWARENESS MONTH THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY. IT DOESN'T SEEM LIKE
24 IT'S BEEN 12 MONTHS SINCE YOU WERE HERE LAST, TO BE TRUTHFUL.
25 AND THIS IS A SERIOUS NEUROLOGICAL CONDITION CHARACTERIZED BY



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1 AN ABNORMAL BUILDUP OF FLUIDS IN THE VENTRICLES OF THE BRAIN.
2 THERE'S NO KNOWN CURE FOR THIS WHICH AFFECTS 1 MILLION
3 AMERICANS, 1 OR 2 IN EVERY 1,000 BABIES WHO ARE BORN AND OVER
4 375,000 OLDER AMERICANS HAVE HYDROCEPHALUS, WHICH OFTEN GOES
5 UNDETECTED OR IS MISDIAGNOSED AS DEMENTIA, ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE
6 OR PARKINSON'S DISEASE. THERE ARE FEWER THAN 10 CENTERS IN THE
7 UNITED STATES SPECIALIZING IN THIS TREATMENT OF ADULTS WITH
8 NORMAL PRESSURE, HYDROCEPHALUS. AND EACH YEAR THE PEOPLE IN
9 THE UNITED STATES SPEND IN EXCESS OF \$1 BILLION TO TREAT THIS.
10 WITH APPROPRIATE DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT, PEOPLE WITH
11 HYDROCEPHALUS ARE ABLE TO LIVE FULL AND PRODUCTIVE LIVES. SO,
12 SHARON RAGHAVACHERY AND HER FIVE YEAR OLD SON, JOSH, WHO WAS
13 DIAGNOSED WITH THIS AT EIGHT MONTHS OF AGE, IS HERE WITH THEIR
14 FAMILY AND THEY'VE HAD GREAT COURAGE IN BRINGING THE AWARENESS
15 TO THE PUBLIC. AND AS I SAID, EACH SEPTEMBER THEY ARE HERE TO
16 RECOGNIZE THIS AS THIS MONTH SO THAT PEOPLE THROUGHOUT THE
17 COUNTY WILL BE ABLE TO KNOW HOW WE CAN WORK TOGETHER TO CURE
18 THIS DISEASE. SO, SHARON, AND YOUR HUSBAND AND LITTLE JOSH
19 AND YOUR DAUGHTER. OH, THIS IS THE DOCTOR. OKAY. HE CAN SAY A
20 FEW WORDS FROM CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL, OKAY.

21

22 **SHARON RAGHAVACHARY:** THANK YOU, AGAIN, MAYOR ANTONOVICH FOR
23 ALLOWING US TO COME ONCE AGAIN TO RAISE AWARENESS FOR
24 HYDROCEPHALUS. JOSH IS SEVEN YEARS OLD. HE'S HAD HYDROCEPHALUS
25 SINCE HE WAS ABOUT SIX MONTHS OF AGE. HE'S HAD TWO SURGERIES



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1 TO PLACE A SHUNT IN HIS BRAIN TO DRAIN THE EXCESS FLUID. HE'S
2 DOING GREAT. WE'RE VERY HAPPY WITH THAT. BUT WE REALLY NEED TO
3 HAVE MORE RESEARCH DOLLARS FOR HYDROCEPHALUS. THERE JUST ISN'T
4 A LOT OF MONEY TOWARDS THIS DISEASE. JOSH'S NEUROSURGEON IS
5 HERE, DR. MARK KRIEGER, HE'S THE CHIEF OF STAFF AT CHILDREN'S
6 HOSPITAL L.A. AND I'D LIKE HIM TO SAY SOMETHING.

7

8 **DR. MARK KRIEGER:** THANK YOU. IT REALLY IS A PLEASURE TO BE
9 HERE TODAY. HYDROCEPHALUS, AS WAS PREVIOUSLY SAID, AFFLICTS
10 THOUSANDS OF CHILDREN IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. AT CHILDREN'S
11 HOSPITAL IN LOS ANGELES, WE TREATED HUNDREDS OF CHILDREN EACH
12 YEAR WITH THIS CONDITION. WITH EARLY RECOGNITION, WE'RE ABLE
13 TO HELP THESE CHILDREN LIVE FULL AND PRODUCTIVE LIVES AS JOSH
14 IS DOING, WHICH IS REALLY HEART WARMING TO SEE. THE TWO ISSUES
15 THAT WE FACE ARE, ONE, OFTENTIMES IT'S NOT RECOGNIZED EARLY
16 ENOUGH AND CHILDREN SUFFER SIGNIFICANT COGNITIVE AND HEALTH
17 EFFECTS BEFORE THEY'RE ABLE TO BE TREATED. AND, TWO, AS SHARON
18 MENTIONED, RESEARCH DOLLARS ARE SCANT THESE DAYS. AND WE
19 REALLY NEED TO ADVANCE THE FIELD SO WE CAN HELP THESE KIDS
20 LIVE TO THEIR FULLEST POTENTIAL AND LIVE HEALTHY, HAPPY AND
21 NORMAL LIVES. SO WE APPRECIATE THE SUPPORT OF EVERYBODY IN THE
22 ROOM. AND WE ENCOURAGE HYDROCEPHALUS AWARENESS. THANK YOU VERY
23 MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** IN RECOGNITION OF 37 YEARS OF SERVICE
2 TO OUR PUBLIC DEFENDERS OFFICE MARVIN ISAACSON, WHO BEGAN HIS
3 SERVICE IN 1974 AS A DEPUTY PUBLIC DEFENDER. HE ROSE THROUGH
4 THE RANKS AS AN ACCOMPLISHED TRIAL ATTORNEY IN COMPTON,
5 TORRANCE AND LONG BEACH, BECAME ACTING HEAD DEPUTY AT THE
6 CHILD CHILD SUPPORT DIVISION IN 2002, APPOINTED AS HEAD DEPUTY
7 WHILE LEADING THE MENTAL HEALTH COURT OPERATION IN 2004, AND
8 HEAD DEPUTY OF THE NORWALK BRANCH IN 2005 IN APRIL. A LIFETIME
9 RESIDENT OF OUR COUNTY, HE PLANS TO ENJOY HIS RETIREMENT WITH
10 HIS WIFE, CHRISTINA. AND WE WANT TO CONGRATULATE YOU ON A JOB
11 WELL DONE AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE. WHERE DID THE TIME
12 GO? [APPLAUSE.] RON BROWN, CHIEF PUBLIC DEFENDER, WILL SAY A
13 COUPLE WORDS AND THEN WE'LL HAVE MARV SAY A COUPLE WORDS.

14

15 **MARVIN ISAACSON:** OH, GREAT.

16

17 **RON BROWN:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. WE'VE ALL BEEN VERY, VERY
18 LUCKY TO HAVE WORKED FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. AND WHAT
19 MARV HAS DONE, HE'S EARNED THE RESPECT, THE ADMIRATION OF NOT
20 ONLY HIS COLLEAGUES BUT JUDGES, CLIENTS. HE LOVES THE COUNTY.
21 HE KNOWS HE HAS THE MOST WONDERFUL JOB IN THE WORLD. AND I DO,
22 AS WELL. I WANT TO THANK THE MAYOR. I WANT TO THANK FOR ANNA
23 HEMBEGIAN FOR HELPING TO ARRANGE THIS AND WE ARE GOING TO
24 SORELY MISS MARVIN ISAACSON. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

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1 **MARVIN ISAACSON:** I WOULD JUST LIKE TO THANK THE COUNTY OF LOS
2 ANGELES AND THE PUBLIC DEFENDERS' OFFICE SPECIFICALLY FOR
3 ALLOWING ME TO HAVE SUCH A WONDERFUL JOB FOR THE LAST 37
4 YEARS. I FEEL THERE'S NO GREATER CALLING THAN REPRESENTING THE
5 PEOPLE WHO LEAST CAN AFFORD ATTORNEYS IN THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE
6 SYSTEM. IT'S BEEN MY PLEASURE WORKING FOR THE COUNTY. AND I
7 HOPE EVERYBODY COULD SUPPORT THAT ORGANIZATION. [APPLAUSE.]

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THIS WEEK SEPTEMBER 18 WAS EMPLOY THE
10 OLDER WORKER WEEK IN OUR COUNTY. AND AS THE POPULATION AGES,
11 OLDER AMERICANS PLAY AN INCREASINGLY IMPORTANT ROLE IN OUR
12 ECONOMY. EMPLOYING OLDER WORKERS WEEK RECOGNIZES THE VITAL
13 ROLE OF THOSE INDIVIDUALS IN THE WORKPLACE. EMPLOY WORKERS
14 WEEK AIMS TO INCREASE AWARENESS OF THIS SEGMENT AND DEVELOP
15 INNOVATIONS AND STRATEGIES TO ENJOY THIS VALUABLE DEMOGRAPHIC
16 IN OUR WORKPLACE. AND CYNTHIA BANKS, WHO IS OUR DIRECTOR OF
17 COMMUNITY AND SENIOR SERVICES WILL RECEIVE THIS PLAQUE OR
18 PROCLAMATION ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTY. CYNTHIA DOES A SUPERB
19 JOB FOR OUR PEOPLE. [APPLAUSE.]

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21 **CYNTHIA BANKS:** THANK YOU, MAYOR, AND SUPERVISORS FOR HONORING
22 OLDER WORKERS' WEEK. I, ON BEHALF OF THE DEPARTMENT OF
23 COMMUNITY AND SENIOR SERVICES WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT OLDER
24 WORKERS BRING SIGNIFICANCE TO THE WORKPLACE. THE AGE RANGE FOR
25 OLDER WORKERS IS 50 TO 70 YEARS OLD. MANY OF US FALL INTO THAT



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1 CATEGORY. A.A.R.P. INDICATES THAT 66 PERCENT OF THOSE IN THAT
2 AGE CATEGORY WANT TO CONTINUE TO WORK. BECAUSE WE KNOW BY
3 WORKING, WE FIRM UP OUR MENTAL CAPACITY AS WELL AS OUR
4 PHYSICAL CAPACITY. AND THAT BRINGS BENEFIT TO OUR COMMUNITY
5 AND OUR COUNTY AS A WHOLE. SO ON BEHALF OF ALL OF US OLDER
6 WORKERS, THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** BATTING CLEAN UP IS LITTLE MUFFIN WHO
9 IS A TERRIER MIX. SHE'S A LITTLE GIRL. SHE'S SIX YEARS OLD.
10 YOU CAN CALL 562-728-4644. AND LITTLE MUFFIN IS LOOKING FOR A
11 HOME. SOMEBODY WOULD LIKE TO ADOPT HER? HI MUFFIN.

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA:** MR. CHAIRMAN, I'D LIKE TO ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN
14 THE MEMORY OF FORMER POMONA CITY COUNCILMAN WILLIE WHITE.
15 WILLIE WAS A DEVOTED PUBLIC SERVANT WITH MANY GOOD WORKS. LEFT
16 A POSITIVE LEGACY IN POMONA AND BEYOND. IN ADDITION TO HIS
17 TENURE ON THE POMONA CITY COUNCIL, HE SERVED ON THE BOARD OF
18 THE ALAMEDA CORRIDOR EAST CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY. HE WAS A
19 STEADFAST YOUTH ADVOCATE AND HE ESTABLISHED THE WILLY WHITE
20 PARK FOCUS GROUP WHICH SUCCESSFULLY ADDRESSES QUALITY OF LIFE
21 ISSUES IN THE POMONA COMMUNITY. WE WANT TO EXTEND OUR
22 CONDOLENCES TO HIS FAMILY AND HIS FRIENDS AND OF COURSE ALL OF
23 HIS FORMER COLLEAGUES. I'D ALSO LIKE TO ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN
24 THE MEMORY OF JESUS NUNEZ, THE BELOVED FATHER OF MY FORMER
25 STAFF MEMBER, RALPH NUNEZ. JESUS WAS A DEVOTED AND LOVING



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1 FAMILY MAN WHO WILL BE DEEPLY MISSED. AND WE WANT TO EXTEND
2 OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS TO THE ENTIRE NUNEZ FAMILY.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

5 SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS, ANY ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS?

6 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, ANY ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS?

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8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YES, MR. MAYOR. I HAVE ONE ADJOURNING
9 MOTION. I'D ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF JIM HERRICK,
10 A LONGTIME RESIDENT OF OUR DISTRICT. LIVED IN THE SAN FERNANDO
11 VALLEY WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 66. HE WAS THE FOUNDER
12 AND OPERATOR OF A SWIM SCHOOL WHICH TAUGHT THOUSANDS OF VALLEY
13 CHILDREN TO SWIM OVER THE LAST 40 YEARS. HIS STUDENTS RANGED
14 FROM INFANTS TO ADULTS. AND HIS MISSION WAS NOT JUST WATER
15 SAFETY BUT TEACHING PEOPLE TO LOVE THE WATER. FROM THE
16 CHILDREN AND GRANDCHILDREN OF STARS, CELEBRITIES TO COUNTLESS
17 ORDINARY RESIDENTS OF THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY, HE SAVED
18 NUMEROUS LIVES AND HELPED INSTILL A LIFELONG ENJOYMENT OF
19 RECREATIONAL SWIMMING. JIM IS SURVIVED BY HIS SON, DILLON, AND
20 OTHER FAMILY MEMBERS AND MANY FRIENDS AND COLLEAGUES AND
21 FORMER STUDENTS. THAT'S IT.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SECOND WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

24 SUPERVISOR KNABE?

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1 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. FIRST
2 OF ALL, I'D LIKE TO ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF DALE HERBST, FATHER
3 OF A LONGTIME FRIEND DAVID HERBST, WHO PASSED AWAY RECENTLY AT
4 THE AGE OF 72 AND GRADUATED FROM BENEDICTINE UNIVERSITY WITH A
5 MAJOR IN PHYSICS. HE WORKED FOR THE ARGONNE NATIONAL
6 LABORATORY, ONE OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT'S OLDEST AND LARGEST
7 NATIONAL LABS FOR SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING RESEARCH. HE ALSO
8 WORKED AT THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY, HANFORD NUCLEAR SITE IN
9 RICHLAND, WASHINGTON, BEFORE RETIRING FROM SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
10 EDISON, WHERE HE SERVED AS MANAGER OF SITE QUALITY ASSURANCE
11 AT THE SAN ONOFRE NUCLEAR GENERATING STATION. HE WILL BE
12 REMEMBERED AS A LOVING HUSBAND, WONDERFUL FATHER, BELOVED
13 GRANDFATHER. DALE WAS VERY FAIR AND KIND TO EVERYONE HE MET
14 AND WAS A DEVOTED CATHOLIC. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE OF 46
15 YEARS, JEAN, HIS TWO SONS, DAVID AND MICHAEL, HIS SISTER, LYNN
16 AND HIS 99 YEAR OLD AUNT LORETTA AND HIS JOY, HIS BELOVED
17 GRANDCHILDREN, CATHERINE, MARGARET, ELIZABETH AND SARAH. HE
18 WILL BE MISSED BY ALL. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF CHRIS
19 JOHNSON. CHRIS IS THE SON OF A LONG, LONGTIME FRIEND OF MINE,
20 BOB JOHNSON. AND CHRIS IS SURVIVED BY HIS FATHER, BOB. ALSO WE
21 ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF KENNETH REINER, WHO PASSED AWAY AT HIS
22 HOME RECENTLY AT THE AGE OF 95. INCREDIBLE INDIVIDUAL. HE WAS
23 AN INVENTOR, AN ENGINEER, ENTREPRENEUR, PHILANTHROPIST. HE
24 LOVED THE MUSICAL ARTS AND WAS INVOLVED WITH MANY
25 ORGANIZATIONS IN THE LONG BEACH COMMUNITY WITH HIS WIFE,



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1 DOTTIE. HE WILL BE MISSED BY ALL OF US. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS
2 WIFE, DOTTIE; TWO DAUGHTERS, BONNIE AND GAIL; FOUR
3 GRANDCHILDREN AND MANY OTHER FAMILY MEMBERS. AND FINALLY THAT
4 WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF ISABEL SCHINDLER, WHO PASSED AWAY AT
5 THE AGE OF 82. SHE WORKED FOR MANY YEARS AT THE BELLFLOWER
6 CHRISTIAN RETIREMENT CENTER AND EVENTUALLY BECAME THEIR
7 ADMINISTRATOR. SHE WAS VERY ACTIVE IN HER CHURCH, RED HATS
8 GROUP AND THE Y.M.C.A. SHE HAD A ZEST FOR LIFE AND LOVED
9 PEOPLE. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND OF 50 YEARS, ALBERT;
10 TWO DAUGHTERS, JULIE AND DONNA; AND TWO GRANDDAUGHTERS,
11 KRISTIN AND CARRIE. MR. MAYOR, THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNMENTS.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SECOND, WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.
14 I WOULD LIKE TO ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF JONN FLATH, WHO PASSED
15 AWAY UNEXPECTEDLY. JOHN WAS A MEMBER OF MY CHURCH, OUR SAVIOR
16 LUTHERAN CHURCH IN ARCADIA. HE WAS A HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT. HE
17 WAS A YOUNG CADET WITH THE AIR FORCE R.O.T.C., WHEN HE
18 COLLAPSED AND PASSED AWAY WITH A HEART ATTACK. HIS DREAM WAS
19 TO GO TO THE AIR FORCE ACADEMY. AND HE HAD BEEN PREPARING TO
20 GO TO THE AIR FORCE ACADEMY. AND HE LEAVES HIS PARENTS. HIS
21 FATHER, MARK SERVED AS A MEMBER OF OUR TOWN COUNCIL IN AND THE
22 ANTELOPE VALLEY. AND HE LEAVES A SISTER AND HIS MOM. ELIJAH
23 JOSEPH CANTY, ONE OF THE OLDEST MEMBERS PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE
24 OF 100. HE IS A 62-YEAR RESIDENT OF OUR COUNTY, A PILLAR OF
25 THE VAL VERDE COMMUNITY IN THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY. A



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1 FOUNDING MEMORY OF THE SAMUEL DIXON FAMILY HEALTH CENTERS, THE
2 CASTAIC TOWN COUNCIL, AND PROVIDED 10 YEARS OF SERVICE AS
3 CHAIRMAN AND COUNCIL MEMBER OF THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY
4 PLANNING ADVISORY COUNCIL. HE SERVED IN THE AMERICAN LEGION,
5 THE SANTA CLARITA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, THE SENIOR CITIZENS
6 CLUB, THE ELKS 2379 OF SANTA CLARITA. AND THE SANTA CLARITA
7 REGION ADULT AND VOCATIONAL EDUCATION COUNCIL. HE WAS THE
8 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AWARD RECIPIENT OF ITS VOLUNTEER OF THE
9 YEAR. AND CASTAIC CHAMBER OF COMMERCE LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT.
10 ELIJAH IS SURVIVED BY HIS NIECE, VIVIAN HICKS. ELIJAH WAS
11 REALLY A PILLAR OF VAL VERDE AND WORKING WITH THE COMMUNITY
12 AND A STRONG ASSET IN OUR OFFICE IN HELPING TO ENSURE THAT VAL
13 VERDE AND CASTAIC AND THAT PART OF THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY
14 HAD GOOD REPRESENTATION. A GOOD MAN. WILLIAM HOBBS PASSED AWAY
15 AT THE AGE OF 88. HE WAS A PEARL HARBOR VETERAN. AND HE SPENT
16 HIS LIFE WORK IN AVIATION. DOLORES HEELENE KINDRICK PASSED
17 AWAY AT THE AGE OF 80 FROM THE WEST COVINA AREA. FREDERICK
18 MACARTHUR, WORLD WAR II VETERAN IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY AIR
19 CORPS AND FATHER OF MY STAFF ASSISTANT, ELIZABETH SINGER IN
20 CHATSWORTH. TAMMY ABBOTT. SHE WAS A JOURNALIST WITH "THE
21 GLENDALE NEWS-PRESS" AND "THE BURBANK LEADER." PASSED AWAY AT
22 THE AGE OF 54. GLORIA PATRICIA BECKMAN, SHE WORKED AS AN
23 OCCUPATIONAL THERAPIST AND AN R.N. FOR MANY YEARS, AN ACTIVE
24 BOARD MEMBER OF THE ARNOLD AND MABEL BECKMAN FOUNDATION,
25 LIFETIME TRUSTEE OF THE CALIFORNIA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY.



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1 ALSO MEMBER OF THE U.C.I. NURSING PROGRAM LEADERSHIP COUNCIL.
2 HAS SERVED AT THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA LOS ANGELES SCHOOL
3 OF NURSING, ADVISORY BOARD, SURVIVED BY HER BROTHER AND
4 NEPHEWS. SISTER MARTHA LOUISE DISCHNER, PASSED AWAY SEPTEMBER
5 18. MEMBER OF THE SISTERS OF ST. JOSEPH'S OF CARONDELET, THE
6 ORDER THAT MY AUNT IS A MEMBER OF, FOR THE PAST 70 YEARS. AND
7 SHE TAUGHT IN VARIOUS PAROCHIAL SCHOOLS THROUGHOUT THE STATE
8 OF CALIFORNIA. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER SISTER, FRANCES. ALAN
9 EDLER, RETIRED DEPUTY SHERIFF WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF
10 62. ERICK ELVERUM, RETIRED SERGEANT, PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF
11 62 AT THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. CHARLES ASENDORF, RETIRED
12 SERGEANT WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT,
13 PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 77. JOSEPH SEITZ, RETIRED DEPUTY
14 WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, PASSED AWAY
15 AT THE AGE OF 93. JACK ROHRER, PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 84,
16 RETIRED SERGEANT WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S
17 DEPARTMENT. ANDREW JOSEPH OSTERMEIER, PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE
18 OF 89. HE WORKED WITH THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT DEPUTY IN
19 NORWALK STATION, DETECTIVE BUREAU. AND KENNETH JONES, PASSED
20 AWAY AT THE AGE OF 85, RETIRED DEPUTY IV WITH THE LOS ANGELES
21 COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA.
22 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. OKAY. BEGIN THE PUBLIC HEARING.
23 THOSE WHO WILL BE TESTIFYING IN THE PUBLIC HEARING ARE GOING
24 TO BE SWORN IN BY OUR EXECUTIVE OFFICER.

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** I'D RATHER DO IT ALL AT ONE TIME. OKAY, ALL
2 THOSE WHO PLAN TO TESTIFY BEFORE THE BOARD TODAY ON ITEMS 1
3 THROUGH 10, PLEASE STAND AND RAISE YOUR RIGHT HAND TO BE SWORN
4 IN. AND I REALIZE THAT THERE ARE PEOPLE IN THE OVERFLOW ROOMS,
5 IF YOU COULD ALSO STAND TO BE SWORN IN. PLEASE STAND IF YOU
6 ARE GOING TO TESTIFY TODAY. IN THE TESTIMONY YOU MAY GIVE
7 BEFORE THIS BOARD, DO YOU SOLEMNLY AFFIRM TO TELL THE TRUTH,
8 THE WHOLE TRUTH AND NOTHING BUT THE TRUTH SO HELP YOU GOD?
9 THANK YOU. YOU MAY BE SEATED. WE ARE GOING TO START WITH ITEM
10 NO. 4. THIS IS THE HEARING ON APPROPRIATION OF FRONT LINE LAW
11 ENFORCEMENT SERVICE FUNDS ALLOCATED BY THE LEGISLATURE IN
12 SUPPORT OF CITIZENS OPTION FOR PUBLIC SAFETY PROGRAMS FOR
13 CRIMINAL PROSECUTION, JAIL OPERATION AND FRONT LINE LAW
14 ENFORCEMENT SERVICES IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY UNINCORPORATED
15 AREA. THERE IS NO DEPARTMENT STATEMENT, NO CORRESPONDENCE WAS
16 RECEIVED. MR. MAYOR, THIS ITEM IS BEFORE YOU.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. MOTION BY -- ANYBODY TO TESTIFY?
19 IF NOT, MOTION BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY TO CLOSE THE HEARING,
20 APPROVE THE ITEM. SECONDED WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

21

22 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. 5, ALTHOUGH AT THE MEETING OF
23 SEPTEMBER 13 THROUGH ITEM 37-B, THE BOARD INDICATED ITS INTENT
24 TO CONTINUE THIS ITEM WITHOUT DISCUSSION TO OCTOBER 4, THERE
25 ARE TWO INDIVIDUAL SPEAKERS ON THIS ITEM. AND THIS IS THE



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1 HEARING ON DE NOVO PROJECT NO. 00-196-5, ENVIRONMENTAL
2 ASSESSMENT AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT FOR THE FOLLOWING
3 LAND USE AND ZONING MATTERS RELATING TO PROPERTY LOCATED
4 WITHIN THE NEWHALL RANCH SPECIFIC PLAN NORTH OF THE SANTA
5 CLARA RIVER, SOUTH OF HIGHWAY 126, EAST OF VENTURA COUNTY
6 BOUNDARY AND WEST OF INTERSTATE 5 FREEWAY IN THE NEWHALL ZONE
7 DISTRICT. AGAIN, THERE IS NO DEPARTMENT STATEMENT. AND THE
8 INTENT IS TO CONTINUE THIS ITEM WITHOUT DISCUSSION TO OCTOBER
9 4, 2011. THERE ARE TWO SPEAKERS ON IT.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** AND WHILE THE SPEAKERS ARE COMING UP,
12 A QUESTION HAD BEEN RAISED. I'LL ASK COUNTY COUNSEL THAT BY
13 CONTINUING IT, THIS DOES NOT VIOLATE THE 30-DAY NOTICE THAT
14 HAD PREVIOUSLY BEEN GIVEN ON THIS YOU?

15

16 **RICHARD WEISS, COUNSEL:** MR. MAYOR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, THAT
17 IS CORRECT. IT'S BEEN PROPERLY NOTICED FOR TODAY. YOUR BOARD
18 IS FREE TO CONTINUE THE MATTER TODAY FROM A DATE THAT YOU
19 CHOOSE.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. MISS PLAMBECK?

22

23 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** MR. MAYOR, THERE WILL BE A ONE MINUTE TIME
24 LIMIT, CORRECT?

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YEAH.

2

3 **LYNNE PLAMBECK:** HI MY NAME IS LYNNE PLAMBECK, AND I'M HERE ON
4 BEHALF OF THE SIERRA CLUB, WHO NOTICED 60,000 MEMBERS IN THE
5 ANGELES CHAPTER THAT THE HEARING WOULD BE TODAY. AND OUR OWN
6 GROUP, SANTA CLARITA ORGANIZATION FOR PLANNING AND THE
7 ENVIRONMENT THAT NOTICED 2,000 OF OUR MEMBERS IN THE SANTA
8 CLARITA VALLEY. I'M HERE TO STRONGLY OBJECT THAT WHILE WE
9 APPRECIATE THE BOARD'S RECOGNITION THAT THIS IMPORTANT HEARING
10 SHOULD NOT BE HELD ON THE SAME DAY AS THE CONTROVERSIAL MATTER
11 OF REDISTRICTING IS CONSIDERED, AND WE APPRECIATE THAT. WE HAD
12 ALREADY NOTIFIED OUR MEMBERS. AND THIS REALLY PRECLUDES PUBLIC
13 PARTICIPATION. YOU KNEW THAT THIS HEARING FOR THE
14 REDISTRICTING WAS GOING TO OCCUR ON THIS DAY. SO TO SET A
15 HEARING ON A PROJECT THAT WILL AFFECT THE LAST FREE- FLOWING
16 RIVER IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, THAT'S EXTREMELY IMPORTANT TO ALL
17 OF US IN SANTA CLARITA FOR THE SAME DAY REALLY OBSTRUCTS THE
18 PUBLIC'S ABILITY TO PARTICIPATE. AND WHILE YOU SAID PEOPLE
19 COULD SPEAK IF THEY CAME DOWN HERE, IF THEY HAD COME AND TRIED
20 TO COME INTO THIS HEARING ROOM, THEY WOULDN'T HAVE BEEN ABLE
21 TO GET IN. I COULDN'T GET IN. THEY WEREN'T GOING TO LET ME IN
22 UNTIL SOMEONE CAME AND LOOKED FOR ME.

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** I KNOW, LYNNE. I UNDERSTAND. BUT THIS
25 IS WHY WE'VE CONTINUED IT SO YOU'LL BE ABLE TO PARTICIPATE.



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2 **LYNNE PLAMBECK:** WELL, HOW CAN WE PARTICIPATE? WE CAN'T GET THE
3 MESSAGE OUT TO PEOPLE IN ONE WEEK. I THINK THAT'S WHY I'M HERE
4 TO REQUEST THAT YOU PROPERLY RENOTICE IT. AND MAYBE WHAT YOU
5 DID WAS IN THE LETTER OF THE LAW; IT WAS NOT WITHIN THE INTENT
6 OF THE LAW. AND WE ARE JUST ASKING THAT YOU CONTINUE THIS
7 HEARING FROM OCTOBER 4 OR NOTIFY EVERYONE THAT YOU'LL HEAR
8 THEM ON OCTOBER 4 BUT YOU'LL ALSO HEAR THEM A MONTH LATER, AS
9 WELL. SO THAT PEOPLE HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO BE AWARE THAT
10 THIS IS HAPPENING AND COME DOWN AND SPEAK TO YOU. ANYONE THAT
11 CAME TODAY WOULD HAVE BEEN -- EVEN THOUGH YOU SAID, YOUR
12 OFFICE SAID WE WOULD BE ABLE TO SPEAK, AND I APPRECIATE YOU
13 ALLOWING ME TO SPEAK, NO ONE COULD HAVE EVEN GOTTEN IN THE
14 DOOR.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** I UNDERSTAND. THANK YOU. MR. PREVEN?

17

18 **ERIC PREVEN:** YEAH. I MEAN, I COMPLETELY AGREE. THIS IS AN
19 ISSUE REGARDING A DEVELOPMENT IN THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY FOR
20 SOMETHING CALLED THE LANDMARK VILLAGE, WHICH I WENT THROUGH
21 THE ENVIRONMENTAL REPORTS ON, WHICH ARE VOLUMINOUS TO SAY THE
22 LEAST. WE'RE TALKING ABOUT LITERALLY THOUSANDS OF PAGES OF
23 STUFF. AND WE COME DOWN HERE READY TO TALK ABOUT IT. AND NOW
24 THERE'S ONE MINUTE. AND MANY OF OUR PEOPLE ARE GOING TO BE
25 PUSHED OUT OF THE PROCESS. THIS IS ALSO VERY CONTROVERSIAL, AS



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1 YOU ALL KNOW, ISSUE. SHE MENTIONED THE RIVER. THERE'S ALSO MR.
2 YAROSLAVSKY, I KNOW YOU'VE BEEN CONCERNED ABOUT THE OAK TREES.
3 ORDINARILY, THERE ARE 70 PARTICULARLY AGED OAK TREES THAT WILL
4 BE FELLED FOR THIS PARTICULAR PROJECT. THIS PROJECT SEEMS TO
5 THE RESIDENTS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY UNNECESSARY TO BEGIN WITH
6 BECAUSE WE'RE TALKING ABOUT A REGION WHICH HAS LOADS OF
7 UNOCCUPIED HOUSING AND MANY, MANY PERMITS THAT HAVE PREVIOUSLY
8 BEEN ISSUED THAT HAVE NOT YET BEEN ACTUALIZED. SO THIS IS OF
9 GREAT CONCERN. AND WE WOULD AGREE THAT IT SHOULD BE DELAYED
10 AND PROPERLY NOTICED.

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12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. WE APPRECIATE YOUR CONCERN
13 MR. PREVEN.

14

15 **ERIC PREVEN:** SHOULD I SPEAK ON MY OTHER OR NOT NOW?

16

17 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** CONTINUE THIS ITEM TO OCTOBER 4, 2011?

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19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SO MOVED, SECONDED BY MOLINA. WITHOUT
20 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

21

22 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** OKAY. WE ARE NOW ON ITEM NO. 6. THIS IS THE
23 HEARING ON THE ANNEXATION OF THE APPROVED TENTATIVE
24 SUBDIVISION TERRITORIES TO COUNTY LIGHTING MAINTENANCE
25 DISTRICT 1687 AND COUNTY LIGHTING DISTRICT LLA-1 AND THE



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1 LEVYING OF ASSESSMENTS WITHIN THE ANNEXED TERRITORIES. THERE
2 IS A DEPARTMENT STATEMENT AND NO CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED
3 ON THIS.

4

5 **ARNELL DOULAY:** GOOD MORNING MY NAME IS ARNELL DOULAY, AND I AM
6 A SENIOR CIVIL ENGINEER FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. I
7 AM FAMILIAR WITH THESE PROCEEDINGS FOR THE ANNEXATION TO THE
8 COUNTY LIGHTING THE COUNTY LIGHTING DISTRICT MAINTENANCE
9 DISTRICT 1687 AND THE COUNTY LIGHTING DISTRICT LLA-1
10 UNINCORPORATED ZONE. AND THE LEVYING AND COLLECTION OF
11 ASSESSMENTS FOR THE TENTATIVE SUBDIVISION AREAS IDENTIFIED IN
12 THE BOARD LETTER WHICH ARE LOCATED IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS
13 OF AVOCADO HEIGHTS, SOUTH WHITTIER, WEST CARSON, ROWLAND
14 HEIGHTS, ACTON AND CANYON COUNTRY. IN MY OPINION, THESE
15 SUBDIVISION AREAS WILL BE BENEFITED BY THE ANNEXATION AND THE
16 SERVICE TO BE PROVIDED AND THE PROPOSED ASSESSMENTS HAVE BEEN
17 SPREAD IN PROPORTION TO BENEFIT. WE ARE ALSO RECOMMENDING THAT
18 YOUR BOARD ACCEPT THE NEGOTIATED EXCHANGE OF PROPERTY TAX
19 REVENUES FOR THE NONEXEMPT TAXING AGENCIES.

20

21 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** MR. MAYOR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, IT WOULD
22 BE APPROPRIATE AT THIS TIME TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING,
23 DIRECT THE TABULATION OF BALLOTS AND TABLE THE ITEM UNTIL
24 LATER IN THE MEETING FOR TABULATION RESULTS AND ACTION BY YOUR
25 BOARD.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. MOTION BY MOLINA, SECONDED TO
3 TABLE THIS ITEM FOR THOSE BALLOTS TO BE COUNTED AND BROUGHT
4 BACK ON THE TABLE, PLACED ON THE TABLE. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO
5 ORDERED.

6

7 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THANK YOU. WE ARE ON ITEM NO. 7. THIS IS
8 THE HEARING ON THE ANNEXATION OF 33 PARCELS TO THE
9 CONSOLIDATED SEWER MAINTENANCE DISTRICT PARCELS NO. 201-10 TO
10 233-10, THE ANNEXATIONS AND ASSESSMENTS ARE TO MEET
11 OPERATIONAL EXPENSES TO MAINTAIN SERVICES. THERE IS A
12 DEPARTMENT STATEMENT AND NO CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED.

13

14 **NICHOLAS AGBOBU:** MY NAME IS NICHOLAS AGBOBU, AND I'M A SENIOR
15 CIVIL ENGINEER FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. I'M
16 FAMILIAR WITH THESE PROCEEDINGS FOR THE ANNEXATION TO THE
17 CONSOLIDATED SEWER MAINTENANCE DISTRICT AND LEVY OF SEWER
18 SERVICE CHARGES TO THE THREE PARCELS IDENTIFIED IN THE BOARD
19 LETTER WHICH ARE LOCATED IN UNINCORPORATED TERRITORIES OF
20 DIAMOND BAR, GLENDORA, HACIENDA HEIGHTS, INDUSTRY, LA PUENTE,
21 AND WALNUT AND IN THE CITIES OF GLENDORA, INDUSTRY, LA MIRADA,
22 PICO RIVERA, WALNUT AND WHITTIER. THE INVOLVED CITIES HAVE
23 GRANTED THEIR CONSENT AND JURISDICTION. IN MY OPINION, ALL 33
24 PARCELS WILL BE BENEFITED BY THE ANNEXATION TO THE DISTRICT



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1 AND BY THE SERVICE TO BE PROVIDED. IN MY OPINION, THE SEWER
2 SERVICE CHARGES HAVE BEEN FAIRLY IMPOSED

3

4 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** MR. MAYOR, THERE ARE NO SPEAKERS ON THIS
5 ITEM. THIS ITEM IS BEFORE YOU TO CLOSE THE HEARING.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY
8 TO MOVE THE HEARING CLOSED AND APPROVE THE ITEM. SECONDED
9 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

10

11 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. 8, THIS IS THE HEARING ON THE
12 VACATION OF NEBO DRIVE WEST OF SOHN DRIVE IN THE
13 UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITY OF MONTE NIDO, WHICH IS NO LONGER
14 NEEDED FOR PUBLIC USE. AGAIN, THERE IS A DEPARTMENT STATEMENT.
15 NO CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED AND THERE IS ONE SPEAKER.

16

17 **JOSE SUAREZ :** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS JOSE SUAREZ, I'M AN
18 ASSOCIATE CIVIL ENGINEER FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. I
19 HAVE INVESTIGATED THE PROPOSED VACATION OF THE COUNTY'S
20 EASEMENT INTEREST IN NEBO DRIVE WEST OF SOHN DRIVE IN THE
21 UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITY OF MONTE NIDO. IN MY OPINION, THE
22 INVOLVED NEBO DRIVE IS UNNECESSARY FOR PRESENT OR PROSPECTIVE
23 PUBLIC USE AND IS NOT USEFUL AS A NON-MOTORIZED TRANSPORTATION
24 FACILITY. AN EASEMENT FOR UTILITY PURPOSES WILL BE RESERVED IN
25 THE INVOLVED AREA IN FAVOR OF LAS VIRGINES MUNICIPAL WATER



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1 DISTRICT, SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GAS COMPANY, AND CHARTER
2 COMMUNICATIONS. WE ARE AWARE OF NO WRITTEN PROTESTS TO THE
3 PROPOSED VACATION.

4

5 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THERE'S ONE PUBLIC SPEAKER. MR. GARCIA?
6 DANIEL? YOU'RE ON.

7

8 **DANIEL GARCIA:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. I'M VERY
9 HAPPY TO BE HERE IN FRONT OF EVERYBODY. I WANT TO SAY THAT
10 COULD WE USE THIS PUBLIC FACILITY, THIS IS PUBLIC TEMPTATION
11 THAT YOU ARE GOING TO HAVE ABOLISH OR OTHER THINGS LIKE THAT,
12 COULD WE USE IT FOR PUBLIC HOUSING FACILITIES INSTEAD? BECAUSE
13 WE ARE VERY SHORT IN PUBLIC HOUSING THAT ARE ACCESSIBLE AND
14 AFFORDABLE HOUSING. SO I JUST WANT TO MAKE A POINT THAT WE
15 NEED AFFORDABLE AND ACCESSIBLE HOUSING. AND THIS IS ONE WAY
16 THAT WE CAN GET IT. THANK YOU.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET ME ASK THE QUESTION. IS THIS
19 PROPERTY SUITABLE FOR HOUSING?

20

21 **JOSE SUAREZ:** IT'S BASICALLY A 20-FOOT WIDE STRIP OF LAND. SO
22 IT WOULD BE VERY, VERY NARROW, VERY UNLIKELY TO TRY TO DEVELOP
23 IT.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY
2 TO CLOSE THE HEARING AND APPROVE THE ITEM. WITHOUT OBJECTION,
3 SO ORDERED.

4

5 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NO. 9, THIS IS THE HEARING ON THE
6 RESOLUTION APPROVING THE ISSUANCE OF ONE OR MORE SERIES OF
7 SINGLE-FAMILY MORTGAGE REVENUE BONDS BY THE AUTHORITY IN THE
8 AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$200 MILLION OVER A
9 THREE-YEAR PERIOD TO PROVIDE FINANCING FOR THE FIRST-TIME HOME
10 BUYERS PROGRAM. THERE IS NO DEPARTMENT STATEMENT. NO
11 CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED. THERE IS ONE SPEAKER ON THIS.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. MR. PREVEN.

14

15 **ERIC PREVEN:** HELLO MY NAME IS ERIC PREVEN AND I AM THE COUNTY
16 RESIDENT FROM DISTRICT 3. AND I'LL MAKE THIS VERY BRIEF. WE OF
17 COURSE DO SUPPORT ASSISTANCE TO FIRST-TIME HOME BUYERS. BUT I
18 AM RATHER CONCERNED GIVEN THE LAST FEW YEARS THAT WE ARE NOT
19 GOING TO GET INVOLVED IN INSTRUMENTS THAT THEN FALL INTO
20 DEFAULT AND PUT THE COUNTY AT FURTHER RISK. AND I JUST WOULD
21 HOPE THAT THESE DEALS -- THIS DEAL WAS PUT TOGETHER BY AN
22 OUTFIT CALLED -- I BELIEVE THE FIRM IS CALLED KUTAK ROCK,
23 L.L.P, WHICH IS A GIANT LAW FIRM. AND WHENEVER I HEAR GIANT
24 LAW FIRM, MISS ORDIN, YOU KNOW I GET A LITTLE CONCERNED. SO
25 I'M HOPEFUL THAT WE TAKE THE APPROPRIATE STEPS TO ENSURE THAT



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1 THESE INSTRUMENTS PROVIDE ASSISTANCE TO INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE
2 FIRST TIME HOME BUYERS AND NOTHING MORE. THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** I'LL ASK COUNTY COUNSEL. IS THERE ANY
5 LIABILITY TO THE COUNTY IN THIS?

6

7 **RICHARD WEISS, COUNSEL:** ACTIVITY BONDS AND THEY ARE FULLY
8 FUNDED AND PROTECTED AND THE COUNTY IS PROTECTED.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. SO MOTION BY SUPERVISOR KNABE TO
11 CLOSE THE HEARING AND APPROVE THE ITEM. SECOND WITHOUT
12 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

13

14 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** WE ARE ON ITEM NO. 10, THIS IS THE HEARING
15 ON ORDINANCE FOR ADOPTION GRANTING A PROPRIETARY INDUSTRIAL
16 GAS PIPELINE FRANCHISE TO PRAXAIR INCORPORATED TO TRANSPORT
17 AND TRANSMIT GASEOUS NITROGEN AND OTHER ATMOSPHERIC GASES FOR
18 A PERIOD OF 10 YEARS. AGAIN, THERE IS NO DEPARTMENT STATEMENT.
19 NO CORRESPONDENCE WAS SUBMITTED. THERE IS ONE PUBLIC SPEAKER.

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21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MR. PREVEN.

22

23 **ERIC PREVEN:** YES, MY NAME IS ERIC PREVEN. I AM THE COUNTY
24 RESIDENT FROM DISTRICT 3. AND I'LL BE VERY BRIEF ON THIS. AND
25 I KNOW MS. MOLINA HAS PREVIOUSLY SUPPORTED MY POSITION AGAINST



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1 GIVING PRAXAIR THIS EXTREMELY SWEET DEAL. PRAXAIR, FOR THOSE
2 WHO DON'T KNOW, IS A MULTIBILLION DOLLAR ENERGY COMPANY AND WE
3 ARE PROVIDING THE OPPORTUNITY FOR THEM TO RUN GAS LINES FOR A
4 GRAND TOTAL OF, AND I HOPE EVERYBODY'S SEATED FOR THIS,
5 \$5,000. NOW, IT'S TRUE THAT THERE WILL BE A CALIBRATION TO
6 TICK THAT NUMBER UPWARDS. THIS IS A 10-YEAR PERIOD. I MEAN, WE
7 MUST, IN A TIME LIKE THIS WE'RE STRUGGLING SO HARD AND SOME OF
8 THE KEY AREAS WHERE THE COUNTY PROVIDES SERVICES, WE MUST TAG
9 THESE CORPORATIONS. WE SIMPLY MUST. AND I DO APPRECIATE YOUR
10 TAKING A LONG LOOK AT THIS. THANK YOU.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA
13 TO CLOSE THE HEARING, APPROVE THE ITEM. SECOND WITHOUT
14 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

15

16 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. WITH THE EXCEPTION OF
17 THE ITEM THAT IS BEING TABULATED RIGHT NOW, AND ALSO THE
18 REDISTRICTING ITEMS, THAT COMPLETES THE PUBLIC HEARING.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. MR. PREVEN, DO YOU WANT TO DO --
21 AND MR. SACHS. 18, 21, 22, 23, 24, CS-1?

22

23 **MR. PREVEN:** YES, MY NAME IS ERIC PREVEN, I AM THE COUNTY
24 RESIDENT FROM DISTRICT 3. AND I'LL GO VERY QUICKLY. I DO WANT
25 TO RESPECT THE CROWD HERE TODAY. ITEM NO. 18 IS A MOTION BY



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1 MAYOR ANTONOVICH TO REQUIRE OR TO TAG THE STATE LAW THAT IS
2 GOING TO MAKE THE N.F.L.'S LIFE A LITTLE EASIER, MAKE THOSE
3 FAVORABLE CONDITIONS ALSO APPLY TO LIBRARIES AND OTHER CIVIC
4 GROUPS. AND I DO SUPPORT THAT. AND MR. ANTONOVICH AND I ARE
5 WEARING GREEN IN SUPPORT OF THAT PARTICULAR MOTION TODAY. BUT
6 WHAT I DO NOT SUPPORT, THOUGH, IS GIVING FAVORABLE TREATMENT
7 TO THE LIBRARIES. AND AS WE KNOW A COUPLE WEEKS AGO I WAS CUT
8 SHORT ON ITEM 19 IN WHICH WE GAVE A GIANT, SEEMED LIKE A 600
9 OR SOMETHING THOUSAND DOLLAR OFFICE TO A DEVELOPER, A CONTRACT
10 FOR AN OFFICE TO SUPPORT A FEW LIBRARY ADMINISTRATORS. I
11 DIDN'T LIKE THAT. IT WAS ITEM 19 A COUPLE WEEKS AGO. ITEM 21,
12 MR. FUJIOKA, THANK YOU FOR WHIPPING TOGETHER THE GRAND JURY
13 REPORT FOR TODAY, A BUSY DAY. THE GRAND JURY REPORT, AS MANY
14 OF YOU KNOW, IS A CITIZEN GROUP THAT LOOKS AT VARIOUS AREAS
15 INCLUDING THE PRISONS AND OTHER ASPECTS OF THE COUNTY. THE ONE
16 THAT CAUGHT MY EYE WAS L.A.C.E.R.A., WHICH AS MANY OF YOU KNOW
17 IS THE ORGANIZATION THAT PROVIDES THE BENEFITS TO THE COUNTY
18 EMPLOYEES. WE THINK THAT VACATION TIME SHOULD BE PAID AT THE
19 RATE AT WHICH IT WAS EARNED, NOT AT THE MOST SENIOR RATE. WE
20 THE RESIDENTS ALSO FEEL THAT WE DON'T REALLY BUY THAT IF
21 PEOPLE ARE FORCED TO TAKE VACATION TIME, THE COUNTY --

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WRAP IT UP MR. PREVEN.

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1 **MR. PREVEN:** OKAY, I'LL WRAP IT UP. ITEM 23, MR. RIDLEY-THOMAS
2 IS THE HOXEY-SMITH MATTER, WHICH IS A CASE THAT WAS SETTLED.
3 THE COUNTY RAN INTO PROBLEMS, COUGHED UP 650 TO SOME GUYS WHO
4 GOT ROUGHED UP AND THEY'VE BEEN SETTLED. BUT NOBODY WANTS TO
5 GIVE THEM THE MONEY. WEEK AFTER WEEK IT KEEPS GETTING DELAYED.
6 AND I WONDERING WHY. I CAN'T UNDERSTAND WHY. AND ITEM 24, AND
7 THIS IS MY LAST ONE THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR PATIENCE, HAS TO DO
8 WITH ONCE AGAIN THE RENAMING OF COUNTY FUNCTIONS. HUMAN
9 RESOURCES IN THIS CASE TAKES THE CAKE. MISS ORDIN, I WOULD ASK
10 YOU ONE MORE TIME, PLEASE INFORM US OF WHAT A MANAGEMENT
11 ANALYST IS. AND PLEASE EXPLAIN WHY WE'RE ADDING JOBS TO HUMAN
12 RESOURCES IN THIS DAY AND AGE. IT SEEMS TO THIS RESIDENT THAT
13 NOW IS THE TIME FOR BELT TIGHTENING, ESPECIALLY IN THAT AREA.
14 AND I THINK THAT MR. KATZ OR DR. KATZ, WHO HAS BEEN CREDITED
15 WITH SAVING US A COUPLE HUNDRED MILLION DOLLARS IN PUBLIC
16 HEALTH, HAS DONE A GREAT JOB BECAUSE YOU CAN SEE MANY STUDENTS
17 HAVE REPLACED PHYSICIANS. AND THAT'S ONE WAY TO DO IT. AND I
18 HOPE THAT EVERYBODY GETS THE CARE THEY NEED. THANK YOU ALL.
19 GOOD DAY.

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21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** 18, 21, 22, 23, 24, CS-1 --

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23 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** MR. MAYOR, ON ITEM 18, 22, 24 AND CS-1,
24 THOSE ITEMS ARE BEFORE YOU. ITEMS 21 AND 23, 21 IS BEING
25 CONTINUED ONE WEEK. 23 IS BEING CONTINUED TWO WEEKS.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY SUPERVISOR KNABE. WITHOUT
3 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. OKAY. NO. 15, MR. ARNOLD SACHS? DR.
4 CLAVREUL? S-2? AND MR. GARCIA, 12 AND 19. DANIEL GARCIA. MR.
5 GARCIA WHY DON'T YOU GO FIRST ON 12 AND 19 AND DR. CLAVREUL
6 WILL GO ON S-2?

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8 **DANIEL GARCIA:** MY NAME IS DANIEL GARCIA. AND I JUST FORGOT TO
9 GIVE YOU THE THING THAT I FOUND OUT TODAY THAT CONFIRMED ABOUT
10 PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES ON THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT THERE IS NO
11 QUALIFIED INTERPRETER FOR PEOPLE WHO ARE DEAF. WE WANT MORE
12 SERVICES FOR THE DEAF POPULATION THAN REMAIN NOW. SHOULD WE
13 CONTINUE THE ITEM, 19? SHOULD I CONTINUE ON THIS OR NOT? I
14 GUESS NOT IMPORTANT. CONTINUE ITEM 19. THE RECOMMENDATION ON
15 HYDROCEPHALUS AWARENESS MONTH. I TRULY SUPPORT THIS MONTH, I
16 WANT TO MAKE AN EMPHASIS ON IF YOU'RE REALLY CONCERNED ABOUT
17 HYDROCEPHALUS AWARENESS MONTH, I WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT YOU
18 ARE ALSO CONCERNED ABOUT MEDICAID.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY. YOUR TIME, FINISH.

21

22 **DANIEAL GARCIA:** ABOUT MEDICAID. ABOUT S.S.I. ABOUT EVERYTHING
23 THAT BELONGS TO THEM. BECAUSE IF YOU'RE THAT CONCERNED ABOUT
24 MAKING AN AWARENESS MONTH, GET THE BOARD THAT MAYBE YOU CAN
25 WRITE A LETTER TO PRESIDENT OBAMA SAYING THE CONCERNS ABOUT



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1 THE ISSUE THAT PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES ARE BEING CUT. SO WE
2 WENT THE CONCERN FROM YOU SAYING THINGS THAT WE ARE CONCERNED
3 ABOUT MEDICAID AND CUTS FROM PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU, SIR.

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7 **DANIEL GARCIA:** WANT ME TO TAKE 12?

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9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY, THANK YOU, SIR. THANK YOU VERY
10 MUCH.

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12 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** MR. MAYOR, ITEMS NO. 12 AND 19 ARE BEFORE
13 YOU?

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15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR
16 YAROSLAVSKY. SECONDED WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. AND THEN
17 S-2, DOCTOR CLAVREUL?

18

19 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,
20 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. ON ITEM S-2, I AM CONCERNED THAT EVERY
21 WEEK DR. KATZ IS PUSHING THAT ITEM BACK AND BACK. IT HAS BEEN
22 MORE THAN SIX MONTHS WHEN THE INITIAL REPORT WAS REQUESTED.
23 AND THAT WAS WORRYING ME TREMENDOUSLY. ALSO AT U.S.C., THE
24 BOARDING TIME WAS INCREASED FROM FIVE HOURS AND 40 MINUTES TO
25 7 HOURS AND 43 MINUTES. THE WAITING TIME WAS ALSO INCREASED



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1 AND THE DIVERSION ALSO INCREASED. SO THINGS ARE NOT ALL THAT
2 ROSY. ALSO, I STILL WOULD LIKE TO SEE THAT NEW PROGRAM HE HAS
3 ON HOW IT'S GOING TO UTILIZE OUR END VERSUS A CLINICAL
4 ASSISTANT. I REQUESTED ANOTHER FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT TWO
5 WEEKS AGO, INFORMATION FROM D.H.S. VIS-A-VIS INFORMATION WHY
6 AN EMPLOYEE WAS FIRED ON THE GROUNDS THAT SHE EMBARRASSED THE
7 COUNTY. I HAD ASKED HOW MANY PEOPLE HAD BEEN FIRED IN THE LAST
8 10 YEARS ON THAT GROUND. IF SO, I THINK A LOT OF PEOPLE COULD
9 BE FIRED ON THOSE GROUNDS.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** CAN YOU WRAP IT UP, DOCTOR?

12

13 **GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** THANK YOU FOR HAVING US SPEAK TO THE ITEMS
14 BEFORE THE PUBLIC HEARING. BUT I THINK PUBLIC HEARINGS SHOULD
15 BE DONE ON A SEPARATE DAY THAN THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING. I
16 THINK THAT'S THE WAY IT SHOULD BE. I THINK IT'S NOT FAIR TO
17 ANYBODY TO PUT THEM TOGETHER. THANK YOU.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, MA'AM.

20

21 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** MR. MAYOR, ITEM NO. 15 IS BEFORE YOU.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR KNABE.
24 SECONDED WITHOUT OBJECTION. SO ORDERED.

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AND ON ITEM S-2, THAT ITEM IS BEING
2 CONTINUED TWO WEEKS?

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY.
5 SECONDED WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

6

7 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AND IF WE CAN --

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET ME JUST CALL 18 AND 24, MR. ARNOLD
10 SACHS? HE'S NOT HERE. SO MOTION BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY.
11 SECONDED WITHOUT OBJECTION. 15 AND 18 SO ORDERED. EXCUSE, ME
12 18 AND 24 SO ORDERED. AND 15.

13

14 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THANK YOU. IF WE COULD GO BACK TO AGENDA
15 ITEM NO. 6, WE HAVE TABULATED THE BALLOTS. A DETERMINATION HAS
16 BEEN MADE THAT NO MAJORITY PROTEST AGAINST THE PROPOSED
17 ANNEXATION AND LEVYING OF ANNUAL ASSESSMENTS FOR APPROVED
18 TENTATIVE SUBDIVISION TERRITORIES TO COUNTY LIGHTING
19 MAINTENANCE DISTRICT 1687, COUNTY LIGHTING DISTRICT LLA-1 FOR
20 THE UNINCORPORATED ZONES. AS A RESULT, IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE
21 FOR THE BOARD TO ADOPT RESOLUTION APPROVING THE ANNEXATION AND
22 LEVYING OF ASSESSMENTS AND THE JOINT RESOLUTIONS ACCEPTING THE
23 NEGOTIATED EXCHANGE OF THE PROPERTY TAX REVENUES RESULTING
24 FROM THE ANNEXATION OF THE SUBDIVISION OF THE TERRITORIES.
25 THIS IS FOR DISTRICT NO. 1, 1 AND 2.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR MARK
3 RIDLEY-THOMAS. SECOND WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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5 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THANK YOU. AND THAT COMPLETES ALL OF THE
6 ITEMS.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. LET ME ASK THAT WE DIRECT THE
9 C.E.O. EXECUTIVE OFFICE TO GIVE THE BOARD A REPORT AS TO
10 COMPENSATION PACKAGE ON THE E.D.C. AND THE AMOUNT OF REVENUE
11 THAT THE COUNTY PROVIDES. I DON'T KNOW IF WE DO A SIMILAR
12 PROGRAM LIKE WE DO AT THE MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY AND THE
13 MUSEUM OF ART, BUT HE CAN REPORT BACK AS TO THE FINANCIAL
14 COMMITMENT THAT THE BOARD DOES RELATIVE TO COMPENSATION AND
15 THAT AT E.D.C. REPORT BACK. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

16

17 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** YES, SIR.

18

19 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** OKAY, MR. MAYOR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, WE
20 ARE GOING TO GET STARTED WITH SET MATTER ITEM NO. 1, THE 11
21 O'CLOCK PUBLIC HEARINGS, REDISTRICTING, ITEMS 1 THROUGH 3. ON
22 ITEM NO. 1, THIS IS THE SECOND OF TWO PUBLIC HEARINGS ON THE
23 BOARD'S CONSIDERATION OF PLAN T-1, VOTING RIGHTS COMPLAINT
24 SUBMITTED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA. ON ITEM NO. 2, THIS IS THE
25 SECOND OF TWO PUBLIC HEARINGS ON THE BOARD'S CONSIDERATION OF



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1 PLAN S-2, COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT PLAN, SUBMITTED BY SUPERVISOR
2 RIDLEY-THOMAS. ON ITEM NO. 3, THIS IS THE SECOND OF TWO PUBLIC
3 HEARINGS ON THE BOARD'S CONSIDERATION OF PLAN A-3, AMENDED
4 VOTING RIGHTS COMPLAINT, SUBMITTED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE.

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6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET ME READ INTO THE RECORD THAT
7 BEFORE US TODAY ARE THREE ITEMS. ITEM NO. 1, 2 AND 3 FOR THE
8 PUBLIC HEARING ON REDISTRICTING. ON SEPTEMBER 6, THE BOARD OF
9 SUPERVISORS HELD OUR FIRST PUBLIC HEARING. TODAY IS THE SECOND
10 FOR PLAN T-1, S-2 AMENDED AND A-3 AMENDED. AS WAS DONE AT THE
11 PUBLIC HEARING HELD ON SEPTEMBER 6, THESE THREE PLANS WILL BE
12 HELD CONCURRENTLY TO STREAMLINE THE PROCESS, PROVIDING
13 EVERYONE WITH THAT OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON ANY, ON
14 ALL, OR ONE OF THE PLANS. THIS WILL BE THE LAST PUBLIC HEARING
15 OF THESE THREE REDISTRICTING PLANS. DUE TO THE LARGE NUMBER OF
16 PEOPLE WHO WISH TO SPEAK TO THE BOARD, EACH MEMBER OF THE
17 PUBLIC WILL BE GIVEN A COMBINED TOTAL OF ONE MINUTE TO PROVIDE
18 FOR HIS OR HER COMMENTS ON ANY OR ALL OF THE THREE PLANS. BE
19 SURE TO STATE WHICH PLAN YOU SUPPORT OR OPPOSE IN YOUR TIME
20 FRAME. BE RESPECTFUL OF EACH SPEAKER. IF YOU WISH TO SHOW YOUR
21 SUPPORT FOR A COMMENT BY A SPEAKER, YOU MAY DO SO BY WAVING OR
22 RAISING YOUR HANDS. THERE WILL BE NO APPLAUSE. WE'RE GOING TO
23 FIRST BEGIN WITH A BRIEF STAFF REPORT BY OUR C.E.O. STAFF,
24 MARTIN ZIMMERMAN. AFTER THAT REPORT, I WILL THEN ASK IF ANY
25 BOARD MEMBER WOULD LIKE TO MAKE AMENDMENTS TO ANY OF THE



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1 PLANS. AND IF YOU HAVE NOT DONE SO ALREADY, PLEASE PROVIDE
2 C.E.O. STAFF WITH THE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS AS IT MAY TAKE A FEW
3 MINUTES FOR THE STAFF TO MAKE THOSE NECESSARY CHANGES. WE WILL
4 THEN, AFTER WE HEAR FROM MR. ZIMMERMAN, HEAR FROM THE ELECTED
5 OFFICIALS AND THEN FROM THE INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC.
6 AT THE LAST PUBLIC HEARING ON SEPTEMBER 6, OVER 500 SIGNED UP
7 TO SPEAK. THIS IS THE PUBLIC'S OPPORTUNITY TO PROVIDE
8 ADDITIONAL INFORMATION. AND PLEASE BEAR IN MIND THAT YOU HAVE
9 A COMBINED TOTAL OF ONE MINUTE. AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE
10 PUBLIC TESTIMONY, WE WILL CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING AND THE
11 BOARD WILL THEN DELIBERATE AND CONSIDER WHICH PLAN TO ADOPT OR
12 WHETHER TO REVISE A VERSION OF ONE OF THOSE PLANS. ACCORDING
13 TO SECTION 21500 OF THE CALIFORNIA ELECTIONS CODE, IT IS THE
14 BOARD'S RESPONSIBILITY TO ADJUST THE BOUNDARIES OF THE
15 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS BASED ON THE FEDERAL CENSUS. OUR
16 OBLIGATION AS MEMBERS OF THIS BOARD IS TO PASS AN ORDINANCE
17 TODAY TO ESTABLISH THE NEW BOUNDARY LINES IN ORDER THAT THESE
18 DISTRICTS ARE NEARLY EQUAL AND COMPLY WITH THE PROVISIONS OF
19 THE STATE AND FEDERAL LAW. SO, MR. ZIMMERMAN?

20

21 **MARTIN ZIMMERMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MAYOR. SO I PROVIDED A
22 SUMMARY AND OVERVIEW OF THE THREE PLANS AT THE SEPTEMBER 6
23 PUBLIC HEARING. AND I WANTED TO JUST VERY BRIEFLY GO OVER THE
24 THREE PLANS AGAIN JUST VISUALLY, THE MAPS, TO REFRESH PEOPLE'S
25 MEMORIES, REORIENT THEM TO THE THREE PLANS THAT ARE CURRENTLY



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1 BEFORE YOUR BOARD. OKAY. SO STARTING WITH PLAN T-1, THE VOTING
2 RIGHTS COMPLIANCE PLAN, SUBMITTED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA, WE
3 HAVE THE FIRST DISTRICT IN MAINLY THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY
4 DISTRICT. IT INCLUDES MANY OF THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY CITIES
5 AND COMMUNITIES CURRENTLY IN THE FIRST DISTRICT, BUT IT DOES
6 PICK UP SOME CITIES, SAN GABRIEL VALLEY CITIES IN THE FIFTH
7 DISTRICT IN THE NORTH HERE. IT ALSO PICKS UP SOME
8 UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES, ROWLAND HEIGHTS, HACIENDA HEIGHTS,
9 PLUS SOME GATEWAY CITIES DOWN IN THIS AREA WHICH ARE CURRENTLY
10 PART OF THE FOURTH DISTRICT. AND THEN IT DOES GO UP THROUGH
11 HIGHLAND PARK, EAGLE ROCK AND PICK UP THAT AREA THERE. SECOND
12 DISTRICT IS NOT LARGELY AFFECTED BY PLAN T-1, ALTHOUGH DOWN IN
13 THE SOUTHERN PORTION HERE, IT DOES PICK UP THE COMMUNITY OF
14 WILMINGTON WITHIN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES. (CLEARING THROAT).
15 EXCUSE ME. THE THIRD DISTRICT IN PLAN T-1 INCLUDES AREAS
16 WITHIN THIS MID CITY-HOLLYWOOD AREA THAT ARE CURRENTLY IN THE
17 THIRD DISTRICT; HOWEVER, IT DOES START FURTHER SOUTH NOW DOWN
18 IN THE LYNWOOD SOUTH GATE AREA. IT GOES UP THROUGH DOWNTOWN,
19 PICKS UP, LIKE I SAY, AREAS CURRENTLY IN THE THIRD DISTRICT,
20 BUT THEN GOES NORTH, INCLUDING BURBANK, WHICH IS CURRENTLY IN
21 THE FIFTH DISTRICT, AND THEN PICKS UP THE NORTH AND EAST SAN
22 FERNANDO VALLEY AREAS THAT ARE CURRENTLY IN THE THIRD
23 DISTRICT. IN PLAN T-1, THE FOURTH DISTRICT INCLUDES SOME OF
24 THE SOUTH BAY AREA AND SOUTHEAST COUNTY AREA THAT ARE
25 CURRENTLY IN THE FOURTH DISTRICT, INCLUDING LONG BEACH,



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1 CERRITOS. BUT THEN GOES ALL THE WAY UP THE COAST, PICKING UP
2 ALL THE ENTIRE COASTAL AREA, SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS AND THE
3 WEST SIDE L.A., WHICH IS CURRENTLY IN THE THIRD DISTRICT, AND
4 THEN A SIZABLE PORTION OF THE CENTRAL SAN FERNANDO VALLEY
5 THAT'S AGAIN CURRENTLY IN THE THIRD DISTRICT. FIFTH DISTRICT,
6 NOT SUBSTANTIALLY IMPACTED BY PLAN T-1, DOES PICK UP SOME SAN
7 FERNANDO VALLEY AREA THAT'S CURRENTLY IN THE THIRD DISTRICT.
8 AND ALSO AS WE INDICATED EARLIER, SOME OF THE EASTERN SAN
9 GABRIEL VALLEY CITIES IN THE FIFTH DISTRICT DO GO TO THE NEW
10 FIRST DISTRICT. NEXT ONE? PLAN S-2, THE COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT
11 PLAN SUBMITTED BY SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS. STARTING WITH
12 DISTRICT 1, INCLUDES A LOT OF THE CENTER CITY AND SOME OF
13 SOUTHERN CORE CITIES WHICH ARE CURRENTLY IN THE FIRST
14 DISTRICT. BUT THIS FIRST DISTRICT ALSO GOES NORTH, PICKING UP
15 AREAS OF SILVER LAKE, HIGHLAND PARK, EAGLE ROCK, CITY OF
16 BURBANK AGAIN THAT'S CURRENTLY IN THE FIFTH AND IT GOES INTO
17 THE NORTH AND WEST SAN FERNANDO VALLEY AREAS THAT ARE
18 CURRENTLY IN THE THIRD DISTRICT. SECOND DISTRICT IN PLAN S-2
19 IS NOT SUBSTANTIALLY IMPACTED. ALONG THE EDGES, THERE ARE SOME
20 MINOR CHANGES. THIRD DISTRICT IN PLAN S-2, INCLUDES THE SANTA
21 MONICA MOUNTAINS, PARTS OF THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY, THE WEST
22 SIDE OF L.A. AND SOME OF THE WEST SIDE CITIES, BURBANK, WEST
23 HOLLYWOOD, THAT ARE CURRENTLY IN THE THIRD DISTRICT. GOES ALL
24 THE WAY DOWN THE COAST PICKING UP ALL THE SOUTH BAY CITIES,
25 INCLUDING, AND THEN IT INCLUDES LONG BEACH TO COMPRISE AN



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1 ENTIRE COASTAL DISTRICT. THE FOURTH DISTRICT INCLUDES GATEWAY
2 CITIES AND COMMUNITIES, UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES, HACIENDA
3 HEIGHTS, ROWLAND HEIGHTS, THAT ARE CURRENTLY IN THE FOURTH
4 DISTRICT. BUT THEN PICKS UP SUBSTANTIALLY THE SAN GABRIEL
5 VALLEY CITIES THAT ARE CURRENTLY IN THE FIRST DISTRICT AND
6 SOME THAT ARE IN THE FIFTH DISTRICT, INCLUDING WEST COVINA.
7 FIFTH DISTRICT AGAIN NOT VERY SUBSTANTIALLY IMPACTED BY PLAN
8 S-2, PICKS UP SOME IN THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY AND AS WE SAID
9 LOSES BURBANK TO THE FIRST AND THEN ALSO SOME OF THE SAN
10 GABRIEL VALLEY CITIES TO THE FOURTH. FINAL PLAN? THIS IS PLAN
11 A-3, AMENDED. SUBMITTED BY SUPERVISOR DON KNABE. AND IN THIS
12 PLAN, FIRST DISTRICT SUBSTANTIALLY SIMILAR TO WHAT IT IS NOW,
13 ALTHOUGH IT DOES PICK UP CITIES SUCH AS WEST COVINA AND
14 CLAREMONT FROM THE FIFTH DISTRICT. ALSO THE CITY OF SANTA FE
15 SPRINGS CURRENTLY IN THE FIFTH DISTRICT WOULD SHIFT TO THE
16 FOURTH DISTRICT. AND THEN PARTS OF UNINCORPORATED ROWLAND
17 HEIGHTS AND WHITTIER WOULD GO FROM THE FIRST TO THE FOURTH
18 DISTRICT. SECOND DISTRICT NOT SIGNIFICANTLY IMPACTED BY PLAN
19 A-3 AMENDED, HOWEVER ONE CHANGE IS THAT THE COMMUNITY OF
20 FLORENCE-FIRESTONE, WHICH IS CURRENTLY SPLIT BETWEEN THE FIRST
21 AND THE SECOND DISTRICTS, WOULD BE CONSOLIDATED WITHIN THE
22 SECOND. THIRD DISTRICT, NOT IMPACTED BY PLAN A-3 AMENDED. AND
23 THE FOURTH DISTRICT, THE MAJOR CHANGE WOULD BE GAINING SOME OF
24 THOSE AREAS IN UNINCORPORATED WHITTIER AND ROWLAND HEIGHTS,
25 GAINING THE CITY OF SANTA FE SPRINGS. AND THEN THERE IS SOME



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1 CHANGES IN THE WESTCHESTER AREA. JUST REALLY QUICKLY, PLAN T-1
2 HAS A TOTAL POPULATION DEVIATION OF 1.7. PLAN S-2 HAS A TOTAL
3 POPULATION DEVIATION OF 2.81. AND PLAN A-3 AMENDED HAS A TOTAL
4 POPULATION DEVIATION OF 1.57 PERCENT. THAT CONCLUDES MY
5 PRESENTATION.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. THANK YOU. OKAY. WE WILL BEGIN
8 WITH THE PUBLIC OFFICIALS? TURN ON THE LIGHTS. OKAY. SENATOR
9 FRAN PAVLEY ASSEMBLYMAN JULIA BROWNLEY. ASSEMBLYMAN TONY
10 MENDOZA. MAYOR MICHAEL MENDEZ. GOOD MORNING.

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12 **FRAN PAVLEY:** GOOD MORNING. PLEASURE FOR ME TO BE HERE. I'M
13 FRAN PAVLEY. I'M A STATE SENATOR FROM THE 23RD SENATE
14 DISTRICT. I REPRESENT ABOUT 700,000 PEOPLE WHO LIVE IN BOTH
15 THE 23RD SENATE DISTRICT AS WELL AS THE THIRD SUPERVISORIAL
16 DISTRICT. THIS INCLUDES PORTIONS OF THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY,
17 THE WEST SIDE AND WESTERN L.A. COUNTY. THERE ARE 7
18 INCORPORATED CITIES, A PORTION OF L.A. AND A LARGE SWATH OF
19 UNINCORPORATED AREAS THAT WOULD BENEFIT FROM KEEPING THIS AREA
20 TOGETHER AND REPRESENTED BY ONE SUPERVISOR. I'M HERE SPEAKING
21 IN FAVOR OF PLAN A-3 AMENDED. I WOULD LIKE TO TAKE AN
22 OPPORTUNITY TO FOCUS ON ONE AREA IN PARTICULAR AND THAT'S THE
23 WESTERN AREA OF L.A. COUNTY. THIS IS A DISTRICT MADE UP OF, OR
24 AN AREA MADE UP OF LARGE UNINCORPORATED AREAS WHO ARE
25 BENEFITING BY A SPECIAL RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN FIVE CITIES THAT



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1 FORM A COG AS WELL AS OUR ONE SUPERVISOR. WE HAVE COME
2 TOGETHER TO ADDRESS REGIONAL PROBLEMS SUCH AS CROSS-MOUNTAIN
3 TRAFFIC PATTERNS, URBAN RUNOFF IN THE SANTA MONICA BAY AND--
4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** FRAN, WE'VE GOT TO HOLD EVERYBODY TO
6 ONE MINUTE BECAUSE OF THE 1,000 PEOPLE THAT HAVE SIGNED UP.
7 BUT THANK YOU FOR YOUR POINT ON THAT.

8

9 **FRAN PAVLEY:** THANK YOU. ASSEMBLYMAN?

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11 **JULIA BROWNLEY:** THANK YOU, HONORABLE MAYOR AND SUPERVISORS.
12 I'M JULIA BROWNLEY. I APPRECIATE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK IN
13 SUPPORT OF PLAN A-3, WHICH WILL PRESERVE THE COHESIVENESS OF
14 THE THIRD DISTRICT ON ISSUES INCLUDING LAND USE,
15 TRANSPORTATION, WATERSHED AND STORM WATER MANAGEMENT. AND ALL
16 WHICH BEST REFLECTS THE COMMON VISION THAT HAS BEEN FORGED
17 BETWEEN THE LOCAL GOVERNMENTS, PARKS AND OTHER AGENCIES OVER
18 THE YEARS. I HAVE SERIOUS CONCERNS ABOUT MOVING 3.5 MILLION
19 COUNTY RESIDENTS INTO NEW DISTRICTS WITH SUPERVISORS LARGELY
20 UNKNOWN TO THEM AND FOR WHOM NONE OF THESE RESIDENTS HAVE HAD
21 THE OPPORTUNITY TO VOTE. SPECIFICALLY WITH RESPECT TO MY 41ST
22 ASSEMBLY DISTRICT WHERE THE ENVIRONMENTALLY FRAGILE SANTA
23 MONICA MOUNTAINS NATIONAL RECREATION AREA FORMS ITS
24 GEOGRAPHICAL HEART AND HAS BEEN SHARED WITH A THIRD
25 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT FOR A VERY LONG TIME. IT IS CRITICAL



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1 THAT THE SUCCESS AND PRODUCTIVE RELATIONSHIPS OF COOPERATION
2 AND TRUST THAT HAVE BEEN BUILT UP OVER THE YEARS BE PRESERVED
3 AND THAT THE PROTECTIVE MEASURES THAT HAVE BEEN PUT IN PLACE
4 BE SECURE.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU ASSEMBLYWOMAN.

7

8 **JULIA BROWNLEY:** THANK YOU.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YES, SIR.

11

12 **TONY MENDOZA:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. I AM ASSEMBLYMAN TONY
13 MENDOZA. I REPRESENT THE 56TH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT. INCLUDES THE
14 CITY OF ARTESIA, CERRITOS, LAKEWOOD, HAWAIIAN GARDENS,
15 NORWALK, WHITTIER, UNINCORPRATED -- LOS NIETOS IN BUENA PARK.
16 I COME TO SPEAK AGAINST PLAN A-3 AND IN SUPPORT OF S-2. IT IS
17 IMPORTANT TO RECOGNIZE THIS REDISTRICTING ISN'T ABOUT RACE,
18 IT'S ABOUT FAIR REPRESENTATION IN L.A. COUNTY. FAIR
19 REPRESENTATION DOES NOT MEAN GROUPING A BUNCH OF FOLKS
20 TOGETHER BECAUSE THE COLOR OF THEIR SKIN IS THE SAME. FAIRNESS
21 IN THIS SENSE IS GROUPING CITIES TOGETHER BECAUSE THEIR ISSUES
22 ARE THE SAME. WITHIN THE SOUTHEAST PORTION OF L.A. COUNTY
23 WHERE THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY CITIES AND GATEWAY CITIES LIE, WE
24 SEE CITIES THAT SHARE SIMILAR WORKING CLASS, SOCIOECONOMIC
25 VALUES. THEY SHARE THE SAME CONDITIONS, UTILITY AND SANITATION



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1 SERVICES. THEY SHARE THE SAME GEOGRAPHIC CORRIDORS LIKE THE
2 605 FREEWAYS, THE SAN GABRIEL RIVER. THESE ARE COMMUNITIES OF
3 INTEREST. THIS RINGS TRUE THE SAME WITH COASTAL CITIES THAT
4 ARE MORE AFFLUENT. THEY SHARE MORE SIMILAR ENVIRONMENTAL GOALS
5 AND INTERESTS AND AS WELL AS SHARING SIMILAR SOCIOECONOMIC
6 VALUES. SO I URGE YOUR SUPPORT OF S-2.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP VICE
9 MAYOR DIANA DUBOIS, LING-LING CHANG, MAYOR PRO TEM, DIAMOND
10 BAR. AND DR. STEVEN ZUCKERMAN, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF ROLLING
11 HILLS. MR. MAYOR.

12

13 **MIKE MENDEZ:** THANK YOU. MAYOR MIKE MENDEZ. (GAVEL). THANK YOU.
14 MAYOR MIKE MENDEZ, CITY OF NORWALK. WE SUPPORT A-3. I
15 APPRECIATE THE OPPORTUNITY TO COME AND SPEAK BEFORE THIS BOARD
16 OF SUPERVISORS. I'VE HAD AN OPPORTUNITY BEFORE. AND WE WANT TO
17 STAY WITHIN THE A-3. WE HAVE SIMILAR CITIES THAT WE DO A LOT
18 OF PROJECTS WITH, TRANSPORTATION. AND ALL OF US WORK REALLY
19 WELL TOGETHER AND WE'D LIKE TO KEEP THIS DISTRICT TOGETHER. I
20 KNOW IT'S A DIFFICULT DECISION FOR THE BOARD. ALSO IN THE FACT
21 THAT THE REDISTRICTING COMMITTEE TOOK A LOT OF TESTIMONY. AND
22 I KNOW YOU'VE HEARD A LOT FROM EVERYBODY, BUT WE REALLY WOULD
23 WANT YOU TO SUPPORT A-3.

24

25 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MAYOR. DIANE?



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DIANE DUBOIS: I'M DIANE DUBOIS, VICE MAYOR FROM THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR PATIENCE. LAST TIME I HAD TO BUG OUT, AND COULDN'T SPEAK. LAKEWOOD IS ENTHUSIASTICALLY IN SUPPORT OF A-3 AMENDED. I BELIEVE THERE WAS A STATEMENT MADE LAST TIME THAT LAKEWOOD WAS ONE OF THE CITIES IN ASSEMBLY MEMBER MENDOZA'S AREA THAT SUPPORTED ANOTHER ISSUE, THAT'S NOT TRUE. WE ARE STRONGLY BEHIND A-3. THAT PARTICULAR PLAN MOST CLOSELY REPLICATES THE POPULATION OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. AND WHY WOULD WE NOT WANT TO DO THAT? WHY WOULDN'T WE WANT TO MIRROR WHAT THE COUNTY IS? WE HAVE SEVERAL COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST. AND I GUESS I HAVE TO ASK A QUESTION BECAUSE THERE HAS BEEN A STATEMENT MADE THAT LATINOS MUST REPRESENT LATINOS. SO I WANT TO KNOW IF I LIVED IN YOUR DISTRICT, SUPERVISOR MOLINA, WOULD YOU NOT REPRESENT ME BECAUSE I'M NOT A LATINO? THAT'S WHAT'S IMPLIED. I URGE YOU TO VOTE FOR THE MOST RATIONAL PLAN, A-3.

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SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. LING-LING.

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LING-LING CHANG: I'M LING-LING CHANG, MAYOR PRO TEM, CITY OF DIAMOND BAR. CURRENTLY IN THE FOURTH DISTRICT, I'M ALSO THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE YOUTH SCIENCE CENTER LOCATED IN HACIENDA HEIGHTS, WHICH IS ALSO IN THE FOURTH DISTRICT. AND I SERVE ON A NUMBER OF REGIONAL BOARDS AND VERY INVOLVED



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1 REGIONALLY SO I'M WELL VERSED IN DIVERSE COMMUNITIES OUT
2 THERE. WEARING ONE OF MY HATS AS THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE
3 SCIENCE CENTER, SCIENCE CENTER IS AN EXCELLENT EXAMPLE OF
4 LINKING COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST AND SHARED RESOURCES. FOR
5 EXAMPLE, WE STARTED ALL THE WAY OUT IN DIAMOND BAR AND WE
6 CURRENTLY HAVE A PENDING PARTNERSHIP WITH MANHATTAN BEACH,
7 WHICH IS ALSO IN THE FOURTH DISTRICT. AND IT PROVIDES SOME
8 EDUCATION TO STUDENTS ALL ACROSS L.A. COUNTY. AND WEARING MY
9 MAYOR PRO TEM HAT, I CAN SAY THAT OUR CITY IS ECSTATIC ABOUT
10 THE NEW LIBRARY IN DIAMOND BAR THAT WILL BE SHARED BY OUR
11 REGIONAL NEIGHBORS, PARTICULARLY ROWLAND HEIGHTS AS WELL AS
12 HACIENDA HEIGHTS AND OTHER SURROUNDING CITIES. IT IS
13 IMPERATIVE THAT WE DON'T SPLIT UP COMMUNITIES THAT HAVE SHARED
14 THE SAME ISSUES, SERVICES, AND REPRESENTATION OVER 20 YEARS.
15 SO I SUPPORT A-3.

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17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME FIRST, DOCTOR, CALL
18 UP MARY SU, JOSUE BARRIOS PAMELA CONLEY ULICH. DR. ZUCKERMAN?

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20 **STEVEN ZUCKERMAN:** MR. MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF
21 SUPERVISORS, I COME TO YOU AS MAYOR ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF
22 ROLLING HILLS ESTATES TO SUPPORT PLAN A-3 AMENDED. THIS PLAN
23 WILL PRESERVE THE EFFICIENCIES AND BENEFITS THAT HAVE RESULTED
24 FROM THE LONG HISTORIC RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN OUR COMMUNITY,
25 WHICH WAS THE HOME OF PAST SUPERVISOR DEANE DANA AND THE



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1 FAMILIAR AND EFFECTIVE STAFF OF DISTRICT 4. WE THE COMMUNITY
2 ASK THAT YOU SUPPORT THE COST SAVINGS AND ORGANIZATIONAL
3 EFFICIENCIES THAT PLAN A-3 AMENDED REPRESENTS AND THAT THEY BE
4 PRESERVED IN THE FACE OF AN ALTERNATE PLAN THAT WOULD CREATE
5 HUGE INEFFICIENCIES AND REARRANGE OUR MOST DIVERSE DISTRICT IN
6 ORDER TO CREATE PREDETERMINED ELECTORAL OUTCOMES. THANK YOU.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, DOCTOR. YES, SIR?

9

10 **JOSUE BARRIOS:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS JOSUE BARRIOS. I'M THE
11 MAYOR OF THE CITY OF CUDAHY. IT SEEMS TO BE-- I'M ACTUALLY
12 HERE IN FAVOR OF THE T-1 PLAN. IT SEEMS TO ME THAT WE NEED TO
13 GO BACK AND RE-VISIT THE FUNDAMENTALS OF WHAT WE'RE DEBATING.
14 THE PURPOSE OF REDISTRICTING IS TO ADDRESS THE DEMOGRAPHIC
15 SHIFTS IN OUR COMMUNITY. IT'S NOT A MATTER WHETHER WE LIKE OUR
16 SUPERVISOR OR NOT. IT'S A MATTER OF LAW. IGNORING THE LAW IS A
17 CRIME. PRETENDING THE LAW DOESN'T EXIST DOES NOT MAKE THE LAW
18 GO AWAY. OUR STATE LEGISLATOR HAS ACCEPTED IT. OUR
19 CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS HAVE GONE THROUGH IT. MY QUESTION IS:
20 WHY DOES THE MAJORITY IN L.A.COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
21 CHOOSE TO IGNORE WHAT WE HAVE TO DO? THE A-3 PLAN DOES NOT
22 ADDRESS REDISTRICTING NOR DOES IT LAWFULLY TAKE INTO
23 CONSIDERATION THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT. STATUS QUO AND
24 REDISTRICTING SHOULD NEVER APPEAR IN THE SAME SENTENCE. IN
25 ORDER TO PRESERVE THE INTEGRITY OF OUR COMMUNITY AND THE



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1 SPIRIT OF THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT, IT IS CRUCIAL THAT WE ADOPT
2 THE T-1 PLAN. LET'S AVOID SPENDING MILLIONS OF TAXPAYER
3 DOLLARS IN A NEEDLESS LAWSUIT ONLY TO FIND OUT WHAT WE NOW
4 KNOW, A-3 IS INEQUITABLE.

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6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP MAYOR
7 PRO TEM LAURA ROSENTHAL AND GUSTAVO CAMACHO, OF PICO RIVERA.

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9 **MARY SU:** GOOD MORNING HONORABLE MAYOR. THIS IS MARY SU, MAYOR
10 PRO TEM FOR CITY OF WALNUT. I AM ALSO THE HEAD, THE FOUNDER,
11 AND AND THE PRESIDENT UNIFIED DISTRICT WHICH COVER DIAMOND BAR
12 AND WALNUT AREA. TODAY I'M HERE TO FAVOR THE A-3. THE REASON
13 IS BECAUSE WALNUT, FOR THE LAST SEVEN YEARS WE DO HAVE A
14 DIFFICULTY TO TRY TO WORK TOGETHER WITH OUR SUPERVISOR. I WAS
15 MAYOR IN 2009 AND I HAVE MY STAFF WORKING TOGETHER WITH THE
16 STAFF OF THE SUPERVISOR, BUT WE HAVEN'T HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO
17 MEET WITH OUR SUPERVISOR YET. SO WE HAVE NO CHOICE BUT TO TURN
18 TO DON KNABE'S OFFICE. AND HE HAS BEEN REALLY SUPPLEMENTAL
19 EDUCATION AND AND ECONOMY THAT REALLY, REALLY SUPPORTIVE. SO
20 WE ON BEHALF OF CITY OF WALNUT AND THE SCHOOL DISTRICT, WE
21 WOULD LIKE TO ASK YOU TO HONOR THE A-3 PLAN. THANK YOU SO
22 MUCH.

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP GLEAM
25 DAVIS. YES, MA'AM.



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PAMELA CONLEY ULICH: HI, GOOD MORNING. MY NAME'S PAMELA CONLEY
ULICH. I REPRESENT THE CITY OF MALIBU. I'M IN FAVOR OF A-3 AS
AMENDED. FIRST I'D LIKE TO THANK ALL OF YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE
TO THE PEOPLE OF LOS ANGELES. ALL THE PEOPLE REGARDLESS OF
THEIR RACE, THEIR SEX, THEIR AGE. AND I'M HERE TODAY WHERE I'M
GRATEFUL THAT WE LIVE IN THE UNITED STATES WHERE WE THE PEOPLE
CAN VOTE FOR THE BEST PERSON. AND I'M GRATEFUL THAT PRESIDENT
OBAMA, WHO IS A MINORITY, IS OUR PRESIDENT. I THINK WE HAVE TO
DO WHAT'S BEST TODAY. I HOPE YOU WILL SUPPORT A-3. IT WILL
REPRESENT THE PEOPLE WITH TERM LIMITS. THERE'S NEW
OPPORTUNITIES FOR NEW PEOPLE. AND I TRUST THAT THE PEOPLE WILL
VOTE THE BEST PERSON INTO OFFICE REGARDLESS OF THEIR RACE. SO
THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME. THANK YOU, ALL THE PEOPLE WHO ARE
HERE TODAY, TO COME DOWN AND PARTICIPATE IN GOVERNMENT. AND I
LOOK FORWARD TO YOU DOING THE BEST JOB. AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR
SUPPORT.

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SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.] LET ME --
PLEASE. LET ME ALSO CALL UP, AGAIN, COUNCILMAN CAMACHO?
COUNCILMAN CAMACHO? LUCY MARTIN? LUCY MARTIN? LARRY FORESTER.
YES MS. ROSENTHAL.

23

LAURA ROSENTHAL: GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS LAURA ROSENTHAL. I'M
THE MAYOR PRO TEM OF THE CITY OF MALIBU. AND I'M HERE TO SAY



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1 THAT MALIBU SUPPORTS A-3. YOU KNOW, A GENTLEMAN TALKED EARLIER
2 ABOUT THAT IT'S THE ISSUES THAT ARE IMPORTANT AND NOT THE
3 COLOR OF ONE'S SKIN OR ANYTHING ELSE. AND SO IF THE ISSUES ARE
4 REALLY IMPORTANT, THEN YOU NEED TO VOTE FOR A-3. THE THIRD
5 DISTRICT NEEDS TO STAY TOGETHER. WE SHARE EMERGENCY
6 PREPAREDNESS. WE SHARE A WATERSHED. AND WE SHARE
7 TRANSPORTATION ISSUES. MANY -- LAST WEEK I WAS AT THE LEAGUE
8 OF CALIFORNIA CITIES UP IN SAN FRANCISCO. AND TALKING TO OTHER
9 AREAS, THEY DON'T WANT TO BE WITH US AND WE DON'T WANT TO BE
10 WITH THEM, SO WHY WOULD YOU WANT TO PUT CITIES AND AREAS
11 TOGETHER THAT DO NOT SHARE ANY OF THESE ISSUES AND DO NOT WANT
12 TO BE TOGETHER? PLEASE SUPPORT A-3. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. YES, MA'AM.

15

16 **GLEAM DAVIS:** MR. MAYOR AND BOARD, I'M GLEAM DAVIS THE MAYOR
17 PRO TEM OF SANTA MONICA SPEAKING ON MY OWN BEHALF TODAY. I
18 OPPOSE PLANS T-1 AND S-2. AS I MENTIONED BEFORE, I'M A FORMER
19 TRIAL ATTORNEY WITH THE CIVIL RIGHTS DIVISION OF THE
20 DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. YOU CAN COMPLY WITH THE VOTING RIGHTS
21 ACT WITHOUT UNRAVELING THE STRONG AND PRODUCTIVE WORKING
22 RELATIONSHIPS THAT WE HAVE FORMED WITHIN THE CURRENT THIRD
23 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT. MY CONSTITUENTS WANT MEANINGFUL
24 SOLUTIONS TO REGIONAL PROBLEMS LIKE TRAFFIC, HOMELESSNESS AND
25 THE ENVIRONMENT. LUMPING SANTA MONICA TOGETHER WITH MORE



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1 SOUTHERN COASTAL CITIES THAT HAVE VERY DIFFERENT CONCERNS WILL
2 NOT HELP SOLVE THESE PROBLEMS. FOR EXAMPLE, THE ENVIRONMENTAL
3 CHALLENGES FACING THE PORTS OF SAN PEDRO AND LONG BEACH ARE
4 VERY DIFFERENT FROM THE BEACH EROSION ISSUES WE WRESTLE WITH
5 IN THE NORTH SANTA MONICA BAY. BUILDING AND MAINTAINING STRONG
6 REGIONAL RELATIONSHIPS HAS BEEN KEY TO OUR MAKING INROADS IN
7 OUR ISSUES IN OUR REGION. AND IF OUR SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT IS
8 RADICALLY ALTERED, THE UNDERMINING OF ESTABLISHED
9 RELATIONSHIPS WILL HINDER FUTURE PROGRESS. THANK YOU.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP ANTONIA
12 LOPEZ AND BOB ARCHULETA. YES, MA'AM.

13

14 **LUCY MARTIN:** HONORABLE SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS LUCY MARTIN AND
15 I AM A COUNCIL PERSON FROM THE CITY OF CALABASAS. AS THE
16 GATEWAY TO THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS NATIONAL RECREATION AREA
17 WE HAVE A COMPELLING INTEREST IN PRESERVING OUR DISTRICT 3
18 BOUNDARIES AS THEY ARE. PROPOSED MAP PLAN A-3 DOES EXACTLY
19 THAT WITH MINOR MODIFICATIONS. CLEARLY IT IS NOT IN OUR BEST
20 INTEREST TO DEVIATE BACK TO ANTIQUATED DISTRICT BOUNDARIES
21 LIKE T-1 OR S-2 THAT WOULD FORCE THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS
22 BACK INTO URBAN PLANNING PRINCIPLES THAT CONFLICT WITH OUR
23 SACRED THIRD DISTRICT GUIDING PRINCIPLE: LET THE LAND DICTATE
24 THE USE. THIS AND OUR OTHER ENVIRONMENTAL PRIORITIES WOULD NOT
25 BE STRENGTHENED IN THE T-1 AND S-2 DISTRICTS. INSTEAD, OUR



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1 POLICY PRIORITIES AND ABILITY TO HAVE A VOICE IN OUR OWN
2 FUTURE WOULD CLASH WITH THE PRIORITY OF PARTS OF THE DISTRICT
3 WITH WHOM WE WOULD NOW UNNATURALLY BE FORCED TOGETHER. OUR
4 DISTRICT 3 IS NOT BROKEN; IN FACT, IT IS THRIVING.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, MA'AM.

7

8 **LUCY MARTIN:** THANK YOU.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET ME ALSO CALL UP DR. TED EDMISTON
11 AND LAURA ROSENTHAL, YOU ALREADY SPOKE, I BELIEVE? SO YOU
12 FILED TWICE. JAMES KANG. YES, SIR.

13

14 **LARRY FORESTER:** MR. MAYOR, LARRY FORESTER, THE CITY OF SIGNAL
15 HILL, MAYOR. I'M HERE TO SUPPORT A-3 REDISTRICTING AMENDED. I
16 BELIEVE IT MAINTAINS THE DISTRICTS AS CLOSE TO CURRENT AS
17 POSSIBLE, RECOGNIZING THE GREAT HISTORY OF THE CITIES IN EACH
18 OF THESE DISTRICTS, ABILITY TO WORK TOGETHER IN A REGIONAL
19 APPROACH AND NEEDS TO BE MAINTAINED. SIGNAL HILL AND OTHER
20 CITIES IN THE FOURTH DISTRICT ARE WORKING TOGETHER ON PROJECTS
21 LIKE THE GATEWAY CITIES COG TRANSPORTATION AND ENVIRONMENTAL
22 PROGRAMS WITH THE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACTION PLAN, THE FIRST
23 IN THE NATION, -- INITIATIVE BY THE COG WITH YOUR SUPPORT.
24 PLEASE LET SIGNAL HILL, LONG BEACH AND OTHER CITIES TO
25 CONTINUE TO WORK TOGETHER IN THE CURRENT SUPERVISORY DISTRICT



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1 WITH LITTLE DISRUPTION BECAUSE OF POPULATION CHANGES. THE
2 RELATIONSHIP BUILT BETWEEN SIGNAL HILL, DOWNEY, CERRITOS,
3 PARAMOUNT, LONG BEACH, LAKEWOOD IN THE FOURTH DISTRICT HAVE
4 HAD ALL THEIR POPULATIONS WORK IN COLLATION TO SOLVE MANY
5 ISSUES AND PROBLEMS REGARDLESS OF RACE, ETHNICITY, CULTURAL
6 PRACTICES, RELIGIOUS AFFILIATIONS AND EVEN POLITICAL
7 AFFILIATIONS. EVEN MY OWN L.G.B.T. COMMUNITY HAS BEEN ABLE TO
8 ASSIMILATE. AS MAYOR OF SIGNAL HILL, I SUPPORT THE SUPERVISORS
9 TO DO A-3 AND NOT TO SUBJECT THE POPULATION OF ABOUT 1-1/2 TO
10 3 MILLION IF YOU START SPLITTING THE CITIES.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

13

14 **ANTONIO LOPEZ:** THANK YOU. HONORABLE MAYOR AND BOARD OF
15 SUPERVISORS. MY NAME'S ANTONIO LOPEZ. I'M COUNCIL MEMBER OF
16 THE CITY OF SAN FERNANDO AND CURRENTLY IN THE THIRD DISTRICT.
17 I'M HERE TO OPPOSE PLANS T-1 AND S-2. MY CITY BENEFITS GREATLY
18 BEING IN THE CURRENT THIRD DISTRICT AND WILL SUFFER IF PLANS
19 T-1 AND S-2 ARE APPROVED. THE CURRENT THIRD DISTRICT SUPPORTS
20 MY LATINO COMMUNITY AND I'M A FIRM BELIEVER THAT T-1 AND S-2
21 PLANS WILL NOT WORK IN OUR DISTRICT AND MANY PROJECTS THAT WE
22 CURRENTLY HAVE WILL COME INTO HALT IF THIS IS APPROVED. PLEASE
23 SUPPORT A-3 AND VOTE FOR IT. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

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25 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. PLEASE. OTHER ONE.



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2 **DR. TED EDMISTON:** HELLO. GOOD MORNING. I'M DR. TED EDMISTON
3 FROM BELLFLOWER SPEAKING ON MY OWN. I HAVE REPRESENTED THE
4 CERRITOS COLLEGE BOARD DISTRICT FOR 20 YEARS. WE ARE A PART OF
5 THE PRESENT FOURTH DISTRICT WHERE WE HAVE BEEN WELL-
6 REPRESENTED. I THINK IT IMPORTANT TO CONTINUE RELATIONSHIPS
7 THAT DEVELOP OVER MANY YEARS AND TO CAUSE AS LITTLE WHOLESAL
8 DISRUPTION AS POSSIBLE TO THE WORKING FABRIC OF OUR
9 COMMUNITIES. THESE RELATIONSHIPS ARE THE STRENGTH OF OUR
10 COMMUNITY AND ARE NOT EASY TO REMAKE IN THESE HARD TIMES. IT
11 IS MY JUDGMENT PLAN A-3 BEST MEETS THAT CRITERIA. I RECOMMEND
12 THAT YOU PLEASE SUPPORT PLAN A-3.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SIR. LET ME ALSO CALL UP
15 ANDRE QUINTERO. ANDRE QUINTERO AND JOHN FASANA. YES, SIR?

16

17 **JAMES TUNG:** MY NAME'S JAMES TUNG, I LIVE IN ROWLAND HEIGHTS.
18 I'M HERE TODAY TO SPEAK TO SUPPORT A-3 PLAN. I'M AN AMERICAN
19 AND I'M ALSO A CHINESE AMERICAN. I LIVE IN A COMMUNITY WITH
20 499 HOMES IN ROWLAND HEIGHTS, MANY OF OUR FAMILIES ARE
21 CHINESE. AND WE DO NOT EXPECT TO HAVE A CHINESE SUPERVISOR.
22 INSTEAD, OUR SUPERVISOR SHOULD BE WHO CAN LISTEN TO US, TAKE
23 CARE OF US FOR THE ENTIRE COMMUNITY. SO PLEASE SUPPORT A-3
24 PLAN BECAUSE IT IS BEST FOR EVERYONE. THANK YOU.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SIR. YES?

2

3 **JAMES KANG:** GOOD MORNING. MAYOR AND SUPERVISORS. I AM JAMES
4 KANG, GOVERNING BOARD MEMBER OF A.B.C. UNIFIED SCHOOL
5 DISTRICT. AND THAT COVERS ARTESIA, CERRITOS, HAWAIIAN GARDENS,
6 EAST LAKEWOOD AND PORTION OF LONG BEACH AND PORTION OF
7 NORWALK. THE COUNTY REDISTRICT IS SUPPOSED TO BE DONE NOT BY
8 THE THE RACIAL GATHERING BUT BY FAIR REPRESENTATION. A.B.C.
9 SCHOOLS DISTRICT ALLIES WITH NORWALK AND LA MIRADA AND
10 BELLFLOWER AND LONG BEACH AND PARAMOUNT SCHOOL DISTRICT TO GET
11 TOGETHER TO HAVE A GOOD REGIONAL OCCUPATION PROGRAM THAT
12 SUPPORTS THE STUDENT WHO WANTS TO GO TO CAREER OPPORTUNITY
13 AFTER HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION. THAT PROGRAM WORKS VERY WELL.
14 THAT GIVES A LOT OF STUDENTS A JOB. ALL IN ALL, THE COUNTY
15 REDISTRICT MUST BE DONE NOT BY THE REASON OF RACE OR
16 NATIONALITY BUT BY --

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18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, DOCTOR. YOUR TIME IS UP.

19

20 **JAMES KANG:** I SUPPORT DON KNABE'S PLAN A-3. THANK YOU.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET ME ALSO CALL UP LOU LA MONTE AND
23 ANDRE QUINTERO. YES, SIR. ARE YOU ANDRE?

24

25 **ANDRE QUINTERO:** I'M HERE SIR.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY.

3

4 **ANDRE QUINTERO:** GOOD MORNING, MAYOR. MY NAME IS ANDRE QUINTERO
5 AND I'M THE ELECTED MAYOR OF THE CITY OF EL MONTE AND FORMER
6 TRUSTEE OF RIO HONDO COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT. FOR YEARS
7 I'VE ADVOCATED FOR OUTREACH PROGRAMS TO ENCOURAGE STUDENTS TO
8 ENROLL IN COLLEGE. THERE'S NOTHING MORE IMPORTANT TO A CHILD
9 THAN AN OPPORTUNITY TO LEARN, GROW AND THRIVE IN SCHOOL.
10 SCHOOL IS WHERE CHILDREN FIND THEMSELVES AND FIND THEIR
11 PURPOSE IN LIFE. WE MAY SAY WE ARE A COLOR BLIND SOCIETY, BUT
12 THERE ARE STILL DEEP INHERENT EDUCATIONAL INEQUALITIES BETWEEN
13 SCHOOLS IN THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY AND THE WEST SIDE. THESE
14 EDUCATIONAL DISADVANTAGES CONTINUE TO BE PERPETUATED BY THE
15 MARGINALIZATION OF LATINOS AT EVERY LEVEL OF GOVERNMENT. THE
16 ONLY WAY TO ADDRESS THESE ISSUES IS TO START AND MAINTAIN
17 PROGRAMS THAT HELP BRIDGE THESE SOCIOECONOMIC DIFFERENCES. IT
18 IS CLEAR FROM THE CENSUS THAT THE LATINO POPULATION WILL
19 CONTINUE TO GROW WELL BEYOND THE 48 PERCENT THAT IT IS CURRENT
20 AT. THEREFORE, WE SHOULD CREATE A SECOND LATINO-INFLUENCED
21 DISTRICT. YOU HAVE A CHANCE TO CREATE A NEW LEGACY. I
22 ENCOURAGE YOU TO SEIZE THIS MOMENT. HELP REDEFINE L.A.
23 COUNTY'S HISTORY. THANK YOU.

24

25 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SIR. MR. FASANA?



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JOHN FASANA: YES. GOOD AFTERNOON, MAYOR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD.
I'M JOHN FASANA, I'M SPEAKING AS WELL ON BEHALF OF DUARTE'S
MAYOR, TZEITEL PARAS-CARACCI. WE WANT TO STATE THAT WE BELIEVE
IT'S IMPORTANT THAT OUR COMMUNITY AND THE CITY OF MONROVIA AND
COUNTY UNINCORPORATED AREA OF MONROVIA-ARCADIA-DUARTE CONTINUE
TO BE REPRESENTED BY THE SAME SUPERVISOR. WE'RE IN AN AREA
EXTREMELY DIVERSE. WE ARE ALSO AN AREA WITH VERY COMMON
INTERESTS. AND WE WANT TO EXPRESS OUR APPRECIATION FOR THE
SERVICE WE'VE RECEIVED FROM SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH OVER THE
YEARS. WE WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK OUT TODAY IN SUPPORT OF A-3.
THANK YOU.

13

SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. YES, SIR.

15

LOU LA MONTE: I'VE LOU LE MONTE, I'M A MALIBU CITY COUNCIL
MEMBER. I'M HERE IN SUPPORT OF A-3. LAST WEEK I WAS IN SAN
FRANCISCO WITH THE LEAGUE OF CALIFORNIA CITIES CONFERENCE
REPRESENTING MALIBU AND I SPOKE WITH MANY OFFICIALS OF MANY OF
THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY CITIES. EVERYONE I SPOKE TO AND MANY OF
THEM ARE HERE TODAY THOUGHT THAT THE T-1 AND THE S-2 PLANS
WERE IN EFFECT TRYING TO GERRYMANDER DIVERSITY. WE ARE ALREADY
PART OF A PROUD AND DIVERSE DISTRICT. AND WE HAVE OUR OWN
ISSUES, ISSUES THAT ARE IN COMMON WITH OUR TRADITIONAL
NEIGHBORS. PLANS S-2 AND T-1 DO NOT SEEM TO CONSIDER THE FACT



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1 THAT MALIBU'S ISSUES ARE VASTLY DIFFERENT FROM THE OTHER BEACH
2 COMMUNITIES WE HAVE BEEN LUMPED TOGETHER WITH. ANYONE WHO
3 LIVES HERE KNOWS THE NORTH BAY AND THE SOUTH BAY HAVE
4 DIFFERENT INTERESTS. MAINTAINING AS CLOSE AS POSSIBLE THE
5 EXISTING THIRD DISTRICT LINES WOULD CONTINUE THE SUCCESS WE
6 HAVE ACHIEVED BY WORKING WITH OUR NATURAL NEIGHBORS ON ISSUES
7 AS CRITICAL AS OUR COMBINED ENVIRONMENT EFFORTS IN THE
8 WATERSHED AND OUR JOINT EFFORTS TO MAKE THE 101 TO P.C.H.
9 TRAFFIC CORRIDORS AS SAFE AS POSSIBLE. I KNOW THAT YOU'RE HERE
10 TO GIVE US THE RIGHT TO CHOOSE THE REPRESENTATIVES THAT WOULD
11 BEST SERVE OUR INTERESTS. THIS IS A VERY DIFFICULT TASK. ONE
12 WAY TO MAKE IT EASIER WOULD BE TO RECOGNIZE WHAT ALREADY
13 WORKS. OUR PRESENT THIRD DISTRICT WORKS VERY WELL NOW. AS I
14 HAVE SAID BEFORE, WE AIN'T BROKE. PLEASE DON'T FIX US. THANK
15 YOU.

16

17 **GUSTAVO CAMACHO:** GOOD MORNING. COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.
18 NAME IS GUSTAVO CAMACHO. I'M A COUNCIL MEMBER FOR THE CITY OF
19 PICO RIVERA. THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING ME TO SPEAK TODAY IN
20 SUPPORT OF WHAT IS LEGAL AND JUST FOR OUR RESIDENTS OF THE
21 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. TODAY WE FIND OURSELVES IN A CROSSROAD
22 BETWEEN WHAT WE AS ELECTED OFFICIALS AND RESIDENTS HAVE BECOME
23 ACCUSTOMED TO OVER THE LAST 20 YEARS. WE HAVE ENJOYED THE MANY
24 POSITIVE CHANGES MOST SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS HAVE
25 EXPERIENCED. THE REPRESENTATION OF OUR BOARD OF SUPERVISORS



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1 WITH RESIDENTS AND ELECTED OFFICIALS CAN COME UP HERE AND
2 VALIDATE THEIR MANY POSITIVE CHANGES. HOWEVER, WE'RE ALSO
3 FACED, YOU ARE FACED WITH A TOUGH DECISION OF WHICH BY PURE
4 ACT OF DOING THE RIGHT THING BASED ON THE VOTERS RIGHTS ACT
5 LAW CREATES A DISCUSSION OF RACE. THIS IS ALL MOTIVATED BY
6 RACE. WHOEVER MAKES AN ARGUMENT THAT SUPPORTING T-1 OR S-2
7 MAPS IS PURELY BASED ON RACE IS BY ALL ACCOUNTS MISINFORMED.
8 THE CREATION OF LATINO OPPORTUNITY VOTING DISTRICT IS CLEARLY
9 A CONSEQUENCE OF THE CIVIL RIGHTS LAWS. BOTH T-1 AND S-1 MAPS
10 CREATE -- THANK YOU.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUSAN MCSWEENEY? YES, SIR. ONE MINUTE.

13

14 **BOB ARCHULETA:** GOOD MORNING, COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY
15 NAME IS BOB ARCHULETA AND I AM THE MAYOR PRO TEM IN THE CITY
16 OF PICO RIVERA. AND I'M HERE TO SUPPORT GLORIA MOLINA'S T-1.
17 [APPLAUSE.] (GAVEL).

18

19 **BOB ARCHULETA:** IF I MAY CONTINUE?

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YES, PLEASE.

22

23 **BOB ARCHULETA:** IF I MAY CONTINUE. T-1 IS FAIR AND EQUITABLE
24 AND THIS IS WHAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT, BEING FAIR AND
25 EQUITABLE. THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HAVE A TOUGH JOB,



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1 NO DOUBT. BUT THERE AGAIN WE EXPECT YOU TO DEAL WITH THE TOUGH
2 JOB. AND IN THAT TOUGH JOB IS EQUALITY, FAIRNESS AND TO BE
3 FAIR TO THE 48 PERCENT LATINOS THAT ARE IN THE COUNTY OF LOS
4 ANGELES. [APPLAUSE.] (GAVEL). AND I KNOW YOU ALL KNOW THIS.
5 BUT IT'S HIGH TIME THAT WE LEVEL THE PLAYING FIELD. IT IS TIME
6 THAT WE COME TOGETHER AS A COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES TO RECOGNIZE
7 ALL OUR VETERANS, ALL OUR CITIZENS, EVERYONE WHO CONTRIBUTES
8 TO THIS BEAUTIFUL COUNTY. I'M A VETERAN MYSELF. PLEASE
9 CONSIDER T-1. [APPLAUSE.] (GAVEL).

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11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YES, MA'AM? YES. YOU HAVE ONE MINUTE.

12

13 **SUSAN MCSWEENEY:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS SUSAN MCSWEENEY. I'M
14 HERE TODAY TO REPRESENT WOMEN OF A CERTAIN AGE THAT ARE
15 PROBABLY MISREPRESENTED. I KNEW THAT WOULD GET YOUR ATTENTION.
16 BUT I JUST WANT TO SAY THAT FROM MY EXPERIENCE IN POLITICS,
17 IT'S ALL ABOUT RELATIONSHIPS. WE HAVE A WONDERFUL RELATIONSHIP
18 WITH THE PEOPLE THAT REPRESENT US, THE PEOPLE THAT WE VOTED
19 FOR TO REPRESENT US AS OUR SUPERVISOR. WE HAVE ISSUES THAT ARE
20 A LITTLE BIT DIFFERENT THAN A LOT OF OTHER PARTS OF THE CITY.
21 WE HAVE A LOT OF ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES. WE HAVE A BEAUTIFUL,
22 BEAUTIFUL SECTION OF LAND THAT'S PART OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY
23 THAT SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY HAS JUST DONE A MAGNIFICENT JOB OF
24 KEEPING TOGETHER. IF THAT GETS SEPARATED, YOU KNOW, I DON'T
25 THINK THAT RELATIONSHIP WILL BE ABLE TO EVER BE REBUILT AS IT



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1 IS AGAIN. AND I JUST WANTED TO SAY THAT I CAME DOWN FROM THE
2 FARTHEST CITY IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, THE FARTHEST WEST. WE'RE
3 PRACTICALLY IN VENTURA COUNTY. BUT YOU KNOW WHAT? WE'VE ALWAYS
4 BEEN CONSIDERED FIRST-CLASS RESIDENTS OF OUR SUPERVISOR. AND I
5 CAN ONLY HOPE THAT THAT CONTINUES.

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7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

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9 **SUSAN MCSWEENEY:** THANK YOU.

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11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. THAT CONCLUDES THE PUBLIC
12 OFFICIALS. WHAT WE'RE GOING TO DO NOW, EACH SUPERVISOR IS
13 GIVEN A LIST OF NAMES FOR 25 MINUTES. AND FOR 25 MINUTES,
14 SUPERVISOR MOLINA'S DISTRICT WILL INCLUDE CONGRESSMAN ESTEBAN
15 TORRES, PROFESSOR JOAQUIN AVILLA. PROFESSOR JUSTIN LEVITT,
16 PROFESSOR MATT MORITO, ARTURO VARGAS, AND RHONDA ORTIZ. ONE
17 WILL BE GIVEN TWO MINUTES. ONE WILL BE GIVEN FIVE MINUTES. ONE
18 WILL BE GIVEN THREE MINUTES. ONE WILL BE GIVEN 10 MINUTES. ONE
19 WILL BE GIVEN TWO MINUTES. AND RHONDA WILL BE GIVEN THREE
20 MINUTES. FIRST WILL BE CONGRESSMAN ESTEBAN -- EXCUSE ME. ERIC
21 GARCETTI HAS JUST ARRIVED. AND COUNCILMAN REYES HAS JUST
22 ARRIVED. SO LET ME ASK THOSE TWO TO COME UP BEFORE WE ASK
23 CONGRESSMAN ESTEBAN TORRES AND THE FIRST DISTRICT PEOPLE.
24 WHOEVER WANTS TO GO FIRST IS FINE.

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1 **ED REYES:** THANK YOU.

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3 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YOU GOT ONE MINUTE EACH, OKAY?

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5 **ED REYES:** OKAY. I'M COUNCILMAN ED REYES. CITY OF LOS ANGELES
6 REPRESENTING THE FIRST DISTRICT, A DISTRICT THAT WAS FORMED BY
7 THE COURTS FOR THE VERY SAME REASON THAT THIS NEEDS TO OCCUR,
8 A CHANGE AT THE COUNTY LEVEL. I AM THE THIRD REPRESENTATIVE AS
9 A COUNCIL MEMBER, THE FIRST WAS THEN COUNCILWOMAN GLORIA
10 MOLINA. AND AT THAT TIME, WE NEED TO UNDERSTAND THAT THE
11 DISTRICT WAS NOT BEING ADDRESSED IN A MANNER THAT SPOKE TO THE
12 ISSUES OF EQUITY, OF BALANCE. AT THAT TIME OUR PARKS WERE
13 BEING USED AS MAINTENANCE YARDS, INDUSTRIAL ZONES, OUR HOUSING
14 WAS DILAPIDATED. WE HAD KIDS BEING BUSSED OUT INTO THE
15 REGIONS, FAR REGIONS OF THE COUNTY. TODAY WE HAVE OVER 110
16 ACRES OF PARK SPACE. OUR PARKS ARE NOW BEING USED FOR THE
17 FAMILIES. WE HAVE AFFORDABLE HOUSING, COMMUNITY SERVICES. MY
18 POINT IS THIS: YES YOU CAN HAVE RELATIONSHIPS TODAY. BUT
19 WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN TOMORROW IS WHAT'S IMPORTANT. THE
20 COURTS HAVE DETERMINED THAT THE PEOPLE IN THOSE AREAS SHOULD
21 HAVE THE ABILITY TO DEFINE THEMSELVES. AND THAT'S ALL WE'RE
22 ASKING FOR, THE FREEDOM, THE RIGHT TO BE REPRESENTED BY PEOPLE
23 WHO LIVE IN THOSE AREAS WHO ARE CURRENTLY BEING NEGLECTED.
24 THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. MR. GARCETTI?

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3 **ERIC GARCETTI:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. AND THANK YOU, BOARD, FOR
4 ALLOWING US TO COME HERE. WE WERE AT A COUNCIL MEETING AND WE
5 JUST ZIPPED OVER HERE TO BE ABLE TO BE HERE. GROWING UP I
6 REMEMBER BEING WITH MY GRANDFATHER AND WATCHING TELEVISION AS
7 A LITTLE BOY. AND IT WAS A STORY ABOUT HOW THE CITY POOLS WERE
8 GOING TO STAY OPEN LATE ONE SUMMER. MY GRANDFATHER, WHO GREW
9 UP IN BOYLE HEIGHTS, TOLD ME THE STORY ABOUT GROWING UP, WHAT
10 IT WAS LIKE WHEN HE WASN'T ALLOWED TO BE IN THE POOL IN
11 CERTAIN HOURS. HE SAID NEITHER WERE MY BLACK NEIGHBORS, SOME
12 OF THE JEWS, TOO, DEPENDING UPON WHO THEY WERE AND WHERE THEY
13 CAME FROM. WE HAVE BEFORE US A CHANCE TO MAKE HISTORY. AND I
14 DON'T COME HERE BEFORE YOU TO TELL YOU EXACTLY THAT IT HAS TO
15 BE THIS BOUNDARY OR THIS EXACT MAP. BUT WE HAVE TWO PROPOSALS,
16 ONE FROM GLORIA MOLINA AND ONE FROM MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS THAT
17 SEEK TO MAKE SURE THAT WE HAVE A FAIR PLAYING FIELD FOR
18 EVERYBODY. WE NEED IN THIS CITY AND IN THIS COUNTY TO MAKE
19 SURE THAT WE HAVE REPRESENTATION THAT MIRRORS WHAT OUR CITY IS
20 LIKE AND WHAT OUR COUNTY IS LIKE. WE'LL BE GOING THROUGH THE
21 SAME THING AND INVITE YOU THERE. BUT WITH MY EIGHT SECONDS
22 LEFT I URGE YOU TO PASS ONE OF THESE PROPOSALS AND TO DO THE
23 RIGHT THING. IT'S ABOUT LETTING EVERYBODY INTO THAT POOL.
24 THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. NOW WE WILL CALL UP
2 CONGRESSMAN ESTEBAN TORRES, JOAQUIN AVILLA, PROFESSOR JUSTIN
3 LEVITT. AND PROFESSOR MATT BARRETO. AND EACH ONE, YOU KNOW
4 YOUR TIME? OKAY. SO YOU'LL BE FIRST I GUESS, WHOEVER WANTS TO
5 GO FIRST FOR THE TWO, FIVE, THREE, 10 SEGMENT.

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7 **ESTEBAN TORRES:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS ESTEBAN EDWARD
8 TORRES. AND I AM A RETIRED UNITED STATES CONGRESSMAN. I SERVED
9 IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FOR 16 YEARS. AND I REMEMBER
10 MANY OF YOU COMING TO VISIT CAPITOL HILL DURING THAT TIME. SO
11 TODAY I'M HERE TO VOICE MY STRONG SUPPORT FOR THE T-1 AND THE
12 S-2 MAPS. THEY'RE THE ONLY MAPS THAT TRULY FULFILL THE VOTING
13 RIGHTS ACT OBLIGATIONS. AND THOSE OBLIGATIONS CANNOT AND MUST
14 NOT BE IGNORED. I SAY SO FIRMLY BECAUSE OF MY -- IN MY
15 LIFETIME, I HAVE SEEN HOW FAR LATINOS HAVE COME, PARTICULARLY
16 IN POLITICS. FOR WEEKS, SPEAKERS HERE HAVE SAID THAT THE A-3
17 MAP HAS POINTED OUT THAT WE HAVE LATINOS ELECTED IN OFFICE AS
18 EVIDENCE FOR IGNORING THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT OR PERHAPS EVEN
19 GETTING RID OF IT ALL TOGETHER. WHAT THEY FAIL TO ACKNOWLEDGE
20 IS THAT WERE IT NOT FOR THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT, WE WOULD NOT
21 HAVE ANY LATINOS IN OFFICE AT ALL. [APPLAUSE.] IT IS NO
22 COINCIDENCE THAT PRIOR TO THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT, LATINOS WERE
23 TREATED AS SECOND CLASS CITIZENS. IN MY OWN LIFE, MY OWN
24 FATHER OF MEXICAN DISSENT WAS ROUNDED UP AND DEPORTED TO
25 MEXICO IN THE U.S. REPATRIATION RAIDS OF THE 1930S. I NEVER



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1 SAW MY FATHER AGAIN. AND I REMEMBER THOSE YEARS OF THE DEEP
2 DEPRESSION, WORLD WAR II, WHERE THOUSANDS UPON THOUSANDS OF
3 LATINOS SERVING IN BATTLE BUT NOT IN ELECTED OFFICE. AND I
4 REMEMBER WHAT HAPPENED IN CHAVEZ RAVINE. I REMEMBER WHAT
5 HAPPENED TO OUR NEIGHBORHOODS WHEN AUTHORITIES MOVING FULL
6 STEAM AHEAD WITH FREEWAY CONSTRUCTION DISPLACING ENTIRE
7 COMMUNITIES. AND TODAY WE DEAL WITH THE HORRENDOUS TRAFFIC,
8 NOISE AND POLLUTION. YES, I REMEMBER L.A. WHEN LOS ANGELES
9 COUNTY USED TO TREAT LATINO ENCLAVES AS A DUMPING GROUND. SO
10 I'M HERE TODAY TO SUPPORT MAPS. THANK YOU. YOU KNOW WHICH
11 MAPS. THANK YOU.

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13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. [LAUGHTER.]

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15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YOU'RE TAKING THE TIME OF YOUR
16 SPEAKERS. IF YOU WANT TO SHOW SUPPORT, DO IT WITH YOUR HANDS.
17 YOU'RE TAKING THE TIME OF THE SPEAKERS. EACH SUPERVISOR HAS 25
18 MINUTES. SO PLEASE DON'T TAKE YOUR SPEAKERS' TIME. WHO'S NEXT?

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20 **JOAQUIN AVILLA:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS JOAQUIN AVILLA. I'M A
21 VOTING RIGHTS ATTORNEY. I'VE BEEN DOING VOTING RIGHTS CASES
22 FOR ABOUT 40 YEARS NOW. I WAS INVOLVED INITIALLY AS WELL WITH
23 THE GARZA VERSUS L.A. COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS CASE BACK IN
24 THE LATE 1980S. AND I'M HERE TO EXPRESS MY OPPOSITION TO THE
25 PROPOSED MAP A-3 AND SUPPORTING THE MAPS THAT CREATE TWO



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1 LATINO 50 PERCENT MAJORITY DISTRICTS. AND I'M DOING THAT
2 BECAUSE I'M HERE BECAUSE I WANT TO EXPRESS MY PROFESSIONAL
3 OPINION AS TO THE POTENTIAL VIOLATION OF SECTION 2 OF THE
4 FEDERAL VOTING RIGHTS ACT IF MAP A-3 IS ADOPTED. JUST VERY
5 BRIEFLY GOING OVER THE VARIOUS ELEMENTS OF A SECTION 2 CAUSE
6 OF ACTION. IT IS CLEARLY POSSIBLE TO CREATE TWO MAJORITY
7 LATINO DISTRICTS, EACH CONSISTING OF A LATINO C.V.A.P. OR
8 CITIZEN VOTING ACT POPULATION. THERE CAN BE NO SERIOUS DISPUTE
9 THAT THERE IS RACIALLY-POLARIZED VOTING IN L.A. COUNTY. A
10 FEDERAL COURT FOUND SO IN THE 1980S. THERE'S BEEN LITIGATION
11 IN THE 1990S AS WELL AS IN THE YEAR 2000. THE DECADE OF THE
12 2,000S AND ALSO AN ANALYSIS THAT ALSO SUGGESTS THAT RACIALLY-
13 POLARIZED VOTING IS ALIVE AND WELL IN L.A. COUNTY. IN ADDITION
14 TO THAT, THERE ARE OTHER ELEMENTS OF SECTION 2 THAT ARE
15 SATISFIED. AND FOR THAT REASON, I THINK THE COUNTY IS IN A
16 VERY VULNERABLE POSITION IF IT DECIDES TO GO FORWARD WITH
17 ADOPTING MAP A-3. THE KEY QUESTION THAT THE BOARD OF
18 SUPERVISORS HAS TO ASK IS WHICH SIDE OF HISTORY ARE YOU GOING
19 TO BE ON? ARE YOU GOING TO ENACT A TRADITION OF EVERY 10 YEARS
20 ENACTING A PLAN THAT HAS THE POTENTIAL DISCRIMINATORY EFFECT?
21 THAT IS THE TRADITION THAT I JUST CAME OUT FROM SAN ANTONIO
22 FINISHING UP A REDISTRICTING TRIAL OUT THERE. THAT IS A
23 TRADITION THAT TEXAS HAS. EVERY 10 YEARS, THE STATE
24 LEGISLATURE ENACTS A DISCRIMINATORY REDISTRICTING PLAN FOR THE
25 CONGRESS AND THE STATE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY. AND EVERY 10



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1 YEARS A FEDERAL COURT KNOCKS THOSE PLANS DOWN. NOW, DO YOU
2 WANT TO BE IN THE SAME POSITION? AND I NEED TO REMIND THE
3 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE TREMENDOUS EXPENSE THAT'S INVOLVED
4 IN LITIGATION. BACK IN THE 1980S, WHEN WE WERE INVOLVED IN
5 GARZA VERSUS L.A. COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, THE COUNTY
6 SPENT WELL OVER CLOSE TO \$11 MILLION DEFENDING THE LITIGATION
7 AND ALSO PAYING THE PLAINTIFF'S ATTORNEYS. THERE'S NO NEED IN
8 THIS TIME, IN THIS AGE WHERE WE'RE ALL EXPERIENCING VERY
9 FRUGAL BUDGETS THAT WE SHOULD EXPEND THIS KIND OF TIME AND
10 RESOURCES ON LITIGATING THESE TYPES OF PLANS. AND SO FOR THAT
11 REASON, I THINK IT'S VERY IMPORTANT FOR THE BOARD OF
12 SUPERVISORS TO EXERCISE LEADERSHIP AND TO EXERCISE THAT
13 LEADERSHIP WITHIN THE CONTEXT OF THE DEMOGRAPHIC REALITIES
14 THAT WE'RE FACING HERE NOT ONLY IN THIS COUNTRY BUT HERE ALSO
15 IN L.A. COUNTY. WE HAVE A SUBSTANTIAL LATINO POPULATION GROWTH
16 NOT ONLY HERE IN L.A. COUNTY BUT ACROSS CALIFORNIA. AND IT IS
17 VERY IMPORTANT THAT ELECTED OFFICIALS RECOGNIZE THAT THERE IS
18 A NEED TO POLITICALLY INTEGRATE THIS MINORITY -- AND OTHER
19 MINORITIES AND OTHER PEOPLE OF COLOR BECAUSE WE ALL LIVE HERE
20 TOGETHER. AND WE ALL HAVE TO ADDRESS THESE ISSUES. AND THERE
21 ARE VERY SERIOUS ISSUES OF LACK OF LEADERSHIP AND ESPECIALLY
22 WITHIN THE LACK OF LEADERSHIP AS TO THE DISTRIBUTION OF, ON AN
23 EQUITABLE BASIS RESOURCES. AND IT ALL TIES INTO REDISTRICTING.
24 IT ALL TIES INTO THE RIGHT TO VOTE. SO THE KEY QUESTION THAT
25 YOU HAVE IS WHETHER -- WHICH SIDE OF HISTORY ARE YOU GOING TO



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1 BE ON? ARE YOU GOING TO BE ON THE SIDE OF HISTORY WHICH
2 RESULTED IN D.O.J. COMING IN TO LITIGATE THIS PLAN AND TO
3 SPEND A COUPLE OF YEARS IN THE COURTS UNTIL WE TIMELY GOT IT
4 RIGHT? OR IS THIS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS GOING TO EXERCISE THE
5 POSITIVE LEADERSHIP THAT IS NECESSARY IN ORDER TO ADVOCATE AND
6 INCORPORATE THOSE COMMUNITIES THAT HERETOFORE HAVE BEEN
7 POLITICALLY EXCLUDED? SO THAT IS THE QUESTION THAT I HAVE FOR
8 YOU. WHICH SIDE OF HISTORY ARE YOU GOING TO BE ON? THANK YOU.
9 [APPLAUSE.]

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11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET ME ALSO CALL UP PROFESSOR MATT
12 BARRETO AND ARTURO VARGAS AND RHONDA ORTIZ. YES, SIR?

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14 **MATT BARRETO:** THANK YOU. MY NAME IS IS MATT BARRETO. I AM A
15 POLITICAL SCIENCE PROFESSOR AT THE UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON IN
16 SEATTLE. AND I'M HERE TODAY TO SPEAK AGAINST THE A-3 AMENDED
17 MAP, SPECIFICALLY TO OUTLINE THE POSSIBLE SECTION 2 VIOLATIONS
18 TO THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT AND THE VERY LIKELY AND REAL LAWSUIT
19 THAT WILL RESULT. I EARNED MY PH.D. FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF
20 CALIFORNIA, IRVINE JUST DOWN THE ROAD STUDYING WITH PROFESSOR
21 BERNARD GROFFMAN, WHO WAS ONE OF THE LEADING VOTING RIGHTS ACT
22 PROFESSORS IN THE UNITED STATES, HAS BEEN INVOLVED IN NUMEROUS
23 CASES. AND HE AND I WORKED VERY CLOSELY TOGETHER. SINCE THAT
24 TIME, LEARNING AND UNDERSTANDING THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT AND
25 EXACTLY WHEN A VIOLATION OF RACIALLY-POLARIZED VOTING OCCURS.



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1 SINCE 1999, I HAVE BEEN WORKING EXTENSIVELY ANALYZING ELECTION
2 PATTERNS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, ORIGINALLY STARTING AS AN
3 RESEARCH SCHOLAR AT THE TOMAS RIVERA POLICY INSTITUTE AND THEN
4 FINISHING MY PH.D. WORK. WRITING MY DISSERTATION ENTIRELY
5 ABOUT RACIALLY-POLARIZED VOTING WHICH WAS THEN PUBLISHED AS A
6 BOOK BY THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN PRESS. I'VE ALSO AUTHORED
7 OVER 30 ARTICLES, BOOK CHAPTERS RELATED TO THESE PRACTICES. AS
8 I MENTIONED, I'M CURRENTLY AN ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR WITH TENURE
9 AT THE UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON AND A MEMBER OF THE EXECUTIVE
10 COMMITTEE OF THE CENTER FOR STATISTICS AND SOCIAL SCIENCE.
11 THIS IS SOMETHING I DON'T TAKE VERY LIGHTLY. I PUT MY ENTIRE
12 ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL REPUTATION BEHIND THIS WHEN I MAKE
13 THESE STATEMENTS. AND AS MANY PEOPLE KNOW, I WAS ALSO THE
14 INDEPENDENT EXPERT FOR THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA CITIZEN
15 REDISTRICTING COMMISSION TO ADVISE THE STATE ON MATTERS OF
16 RACIALLY-POLARIZED VOTING. TODAY I WANT TO TALK ABOUT A COUPLE
17 OF DIFFERENT ISSUES. I WANT TO REVIEW THE REPORTS THAT WE HAVE
18 AUTHORED, SPECIFICALLY SENT TO THIS COUNTY LOOKING AT THE
19 HISTORY OF ELECTIONS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, TALK ABOUT THE
20 POSSIBILITIES OF ELECTABILITY OF LATINO CANDIDATES UNDER THE
21 A-3 AMENDED MAP, WHICH IS THE CRITERIA THAT THE COURTS WILL
22 USE TO DETERMINE WHETHER OR NOT IT IS LEGAL. AND THEN MOVE ON
23 TO DISCUSS SOME OF THE OUTLIERS OR SOME OF THE EXAMPLES THAT
24 HAVE BEEN USED IN THE PRESS TO DISPUTE THIS EVIDENCE. TO
25 START, WE REVIEWED OVER 50 ELECTIONS IN THE LAST 15 YEARS FROM



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1 1994, 17 YEARS, TO 2010. WE REVIEWED CANDIDATE ELECTIONS,
2 INITIATIVE ELECTIONS. WE REVIEWED PARTISAN GENERAL ELECTIONS.
3 WE REVIEWED NONPARTISAN GENERAL ELECTIONS. WE REVIEWED PRIMARY
4 ELECTIONS AND CITY ELECTIONS. ANY ELECTIONS IN WHICH THERE WAS
5 A LATINO CANDIDATE OR LATINO ISSUE ON THE BALLOT RUNNING, WE
6 ATTEMPTED TO REVIEW EVERY SINGLE ONE OF THOSE ELECTIONS. IT IS
7 AN ABSOLUTE MISTAKE, BOTH A SOCIAL SCIENCE MISTAKE THAT WOULD
8 NEVER FLY IN ACADEMIA AND A MISTAKE BEFORE THE COURTS TO JUST
9 PICK AND CHOOSE A COUPLE OF CONVENIENT ELECTIONS. AND AS A
10 RESULT, MY ANALYSIS REVIEWED AS MANY ELECTIONS AS POSSIBLE.
11 ALL OF MY ANALYSIS, WHICH HAS BEEN COMPILED AND SUBMITTED AS
12 PART OF MINORITY REPORT IS BASED ON PUBLICLY AVAILABLE DATA.
13 ALL DATA THAT I USED WAS DOWNLOADED EITHER OFF THE LOS ANGELES
14 COUNTY ELECTIONS WEBSITE DIRECTLY OR THE U.C. BERKELEY
15 STATEWIDE DATABASE, BOTH OF WHICH CAN BE DOWNLOADED WITHIN
16 MINUTES AND RECOMPILED. ANYONE CAN GO AND GET THIS DATA. IT IS
17 FREELY PUBLICLY AVAILABLE. AND EVERY REPORT I HAVE EVER
18 AUTHORED RELATED TO THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT HAS BEEN POSTED,
19 PUBLICLY AVAILABLE ON MY FACULTY WEBSITE AT THE UNIVERSITY OF
20 WASHINGTON. THERE'S NOTHING THAT WE'RE TRYING TO HIDE. WE'RE
21 TRYING TO DO AS EXTENSIVE ANALYSIS AS POSSIBLE. THE COUNTY HAS
22 NOT PROVIDED ME WITH ANY REPORT OR ANALYSIS WHATSOEVER EXCEPT
23 A TWO-PAGE MEMO. ONE OF THE TASKS THAT I WAS INTERESTED IN
24 PERFORMING WAS TO EVALUATE THE ANALYSIS BY THE EXPERT THAT THE
25 COUNTY HIRED. THERE WAS NOTHING PROVIDED TO US ON THAT



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1 CAPACITY. SO THE KEY QUESTION THAT WE NEED TO ANSWER TODAY IS
2 WHETHER OR NOT LATINO AND NON-LATINO VOTERS IN LOS ANGELES
3 COUNTY DIVERGE. AND THERE'S TWO RELEVANT POINTS HERE? NUMBER
4 ONE. ARE LATINOS COHESIVE? DO THEY VOTE TOGETHER AND SUPPORT
5 CANDIDATES OF THEIR CHOICE? OFTEN REFERRED TO AS CANDIDATES OF
6 THE COMMUNITY'S CHOICE. AND SECONDLY, DO NON-LATINOS OPPOSE
7 THOSE CANDIDATES? OR DO THEY VOTE ALONGSIDE LATINOS IN
8 COALITION? THROUGH REVIEWING THE 52 ELECTIONS THAT ARE
9 ANALYZED IN THE MINORITY REPORT AND ELSEWHERE, WE FIND
10 OVERWHELMING AND CONCLUSIVE EVIDENCE REGARDLESS OF THE TYPE OF
11 ELECTION, WHETHER IT'S STATEWIDE, COUNTY-WIDE, A PRIMARY OR A
12 GENERAL, PARTISAN OR NONPARTISAN, THAT THERE ARE STRONG AND
13 STATISTICALLY SIGNIFICANT DIFFERENCES IN THE MOST RIGOROUS
14 STATISTICAL ANALYSIS POSSIBLE BETWEEN THE VOTING RATES OF
15 LATINOS AND NON-LATINOS. NO. 1, LATINOS VOTE VERY COHESIVELY
16 IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND VOTE IN SUPPORT AT VERY HIGH RATES
17 FOR LATINO CANDIDATES, OVERWHELMING EVIDENCE OF COHESIVENESS
18 WHICH AS MOST PEOPLE KNOW IS ONE OF THE PRONGS THAT NEEDS TO
19 BE DETERMINED. NUMBER TWO, NON-LATINOS IN THE REVIEW OF THESE
20 OVER 50 ELECTIONS HAVE VOTED CONSISTENTLY IN OPPOSITION,
21 MAJORITY OPPOSITION, TO THE LATINO INTERESTS. SOMETIMES THOSE
22 RATES ARE AS LOW AS 10 PERCENT IN SUPPORT OF A LATINO
23 CANDIDATE. SOMETIMES THEY MAY GROW TO 40 OR 43 PERCENT. BUT IN
24 VIRTUALLY NO INSTANCE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY DO NON-LATINOS
25 PROVIDE OVER 50 PERCENT SUPPORT FOR A LATINO CANDIDATE OR



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1 ISSUE, IN ALMOST NO INSTANCE DOES THAT ECLIPSE 50 PERCENT.
2 THIS ESTABLISHES A VERY CLEAR PATTERN OF RACIALLY-POLARIZED
3 VOTING IN LOS ANGELES. NOW TO THE CONTRARY THERE HAVE BEEN
4 RAISED SOME EXAMPLES, MOST SPECIFICALLY BACA, VILLARAIGOSA,
5 DELGADILLO AND NOGEZ, AS LATINO CANDIDATES WHO HAVE BEEN
6 SUCCESSFUL. AND THERE HAVE BEEN POINTED TO OTHER SUCCESSES AND
7 PHRASES SUCH AS LATINO POLITICAL SUCCESS HAVE BEEN USED. FIRST
8 OF ALL AS THE CONGRESSMAN PREVIOUSLY ITERATED, THE SO-CALLED
9 SUCCESS OF LATINOS IN LOS ANGELES IS ALMOST ENTIRELY DUE TO
10 THE CREATION OF MAJORITY LATINO DISTRICTS. THAT IS, YOU CAN GO
11 AND LOOK AT EVERY LATINO ELECTED AND WHAT PERCENTAGE OF THOSE
12 COME FROM AT-LARGE SYSTEMS OR FROM MAJORITY LATINO SYSTEMS?
13 AND IT IS OVERWHELMING. YES, THERE ARE LATINOS ELECTED TO
14 OFFICE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY TO VARIOUS POSTS. BUT THEY'RE
15 ALMOST ENTIRELY THE RESULT OF THE CREATION OF THE MAJORITY
16 LATINO DISTRICTS AS MANDATED BY THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT.
17 SECONDLY THE FOUR CANDIDATES IN QUESTION ARE NOT GOOD
18 EXAMPLES. THE FIRST IS THAT THESE ARE THE ONLY FOUR CANDIDATES
19 THAT THE COUNTY COULD DIG UP TO DISPROVE THAT RACIALLY-
20 POLARIZED VOTING DOESN'T EXIST. AS I MENTIONED, WE REVIEWED 52
21 ELECTIONS. AND THEY FOUND FOUR EXAMPLES. MORE SPECIFICALLY, AS
22 MOST PEOPLE KNOW, BACA, WHEN HE WAS FIRST ELECTED, RAN AGAINST
23 SOMEBODY WHO WAS DEAD. HE STILL DID NOT WIN A MAJORITY OF THE
24 NON-LATINO VOTE. NOGEZ WAS NOT THE CANDIDATE OF CHOICE OF THE
25 LATINO COMMUNITY. IT DOESN'T COUNT AS THE COURT'S CONSIDER



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1 THOSE EVIDENCE. THERE HAS TO BE SOMEONE WHO SHOWED MAJORITY
2 SUPPORT FROM THE LATINO COMMUNITY. IF IT'S NOT A CANDIDATE
3 THAT LATINOS SUPPORTED, IT CANNOT BE CONSIDERED A CANDIDATE OF
4 THEIR CHOICE. IN FACT, THERE WERE OTHER CANDIDATES IN THAT
5 ASSESSOR RACE THAT LATINOS BACKED WHO WERE LATINO.
6 VILLARAIGOSA AND DELGADILLO. FIRST OF ALL, WE SHOULD NEVER BE
7 LOOKING AT SUBJURISDICTION ELECTIONS. THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES
8 ELECTIONS TELL US NOTHING ABOUT VOTING PATTERNS IN LONG BEACH
9 OR SANTA CLARITA OR POMONA OR OTHER PARTS OF THE COUNTY.
10 THEY'RE LARGELY IRRELEVANT. HOWEVER, EVEN LOOKING AT THOSE
11 ELECTIONS, THERE WAS RACIALLY- POLARIZED VOTING. AND ANTONIO
12 VILLARAIGOSA HAD A VERY FIERCE, VERY RACIALLY- POLARIZED
13 ELECTION IN 2001 AND IT WAS ONLY AS THE INCUMBENT MAYOR
14 PRESENTED WITH MANY SCANDALS AND OPPOSITION THAT VILLARAIGOSA
15 WAS ABLE TO GET ELECTED. BUT STILL IN 2005 THERE WAS EVIDENCE
16 OF RACIALLY-POLARIZED VOTING. IN TERMS OF DELGADILLO, IT WAS
17 VERY SIMILAR. WHILE HE WAS ABLE TO GET ELECTED IN 2001, IF YOU
18 LOOK AT ANY OTHER CONTEST THAT HE HAS ASPIRED TO RUN FOR,
19 INCLUDING STATEWIDE ATTORNEY GENERAL, HE HAS BEEN OPPOSED AT
20 EXTREMELY STRONG LEVELS BY NON-LATINOS. WHEN HE RAN AGAINST
21 JERRY BROWN IN 2006, WHEN HE RAN AGAINST KAMILA HARRIS IN
22 2010. VOTERS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY WHO WERE NON-LATINO VOTED
23 STRONGLY AGAINST ROCKY DELGADILLO WHILE LATINOS VOTED STRONGLY
24 IN FAVOR. NOW LET ME MOVE TO THE MYTH OF CROSSOVER VOTING. ONE
25 OF THE FINAL POINTS THAT HAS BEEN MADE IS THAT BECAUSE LATINO



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1 CANDIDATES DO GET SOME LEVEL OF SUPPORT, THAT THERE'S
2 CROSSOVER VOTING THAT IS ABLE TO GET THEM ELECTED. FIRST OF
3 ALL, THERE'S NO CONSTANT AMOUNT. THERE'S NOT A MAGIC AMOUNT
4 THAT WE CAN JUST SAY THERE IS AN AUTOMATIC 30 PERCENT. IT'S
5 GOING TO VARY BASED UPON THE CANDIDATE AND THE CIRCUMSTANCES.
6 FURTHER, EVEN IF IT WAS 30 PERCENT AND YOU LOOK AT SOME OF
7 THESE DISTRICTS THAT ARE 65 PERCENT NON-LATINO, YOU CAN'T JUST
8 TAKE THAT 30 PERCENT POTENTIAL CROSSOVER VOTE AND ADD IT TO
9 THE LATINO POPULATION. YOU HAVE TO TAKE THAT 30 PERCENT
10 CROSSOVER VOTE OF THE NON-LATINOS. SO ONLY 30 PERCENT VOTE OF
11 65 PERCENT OF THE POPULATION ADDED TO PERHAPS ABOUT 70 PERCENT
12 OF THE VOTE OF THE REMAINING LATINO POPULATION. WHEN YOU
13 COMBINE THOSE ESTIMATES TOGETHER, YOU NEVER ARRIVE AT A
14 SOLUTION THAT ECLIPSES 50 PERCENT. WHEN YOU PUT LATINOS IN
15 DISTRICTS THAT ARE ONLY ABOUT 30 TO 35 PERCENT, IT IS THE
16 WORST EXAMPLE OF VOTE DILUTION. YOU HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO
17 INCREASE THE LATINO PERCENTAGE TO PROVIDE REPRESENTATION, BUT
18 INSTEAD, THEY'VE PUT THE LATINO PERCENTAGE RIGHT AROUND THE
19 MARK THAT WILL ENSURE THAT THEY CAN GET CLOSE TO 50 PERCENT
20 BUT NEVER OVER IT. FOR THESE REASONS, I'M SPEAKING AGAINST THE
21 A-3 AMENDED MAP. THANK YOU.

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23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** DID I ALSO CALL UP RHONDA ORTIZ? MR.
24 CHAIRMAN?

25



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** HOLD THEIR TIME. I WOULD JUST, BECAUSE WE
2 HAVE PROFESSOR BARRETO HERE. STAY HERE A SECOND. I APPRECIATE
3 YOUR PRESENTATION. COULD YOU EXPLAIN THE CONO DECISION OF
4 2001, OR 2, WHATEVER YEAR IT WAS, AND HOW THAT RELATES TO THE
5 WAY YOU'VE DESCRIBED POLARIZED VOTING OR DEFINED IT? THANKS.

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7 **MATT BARRETO:** IF YOU LOOK AT THE CONO DECISION, THE MOST
8 RECENT DECISION THE COURTS MADE IN THIS CASE, THE FIRST IS
9 THAT IT IS AN ABSOLUTE MISTAKE TO CONCLUDE THAT THE COURTS
10 FOUND THAT RACIALLY-POLARIZED VOTING DID NOT EXIST IN CONO.
11 THAT IS NOT WHAT THEY SAID. IN CONO, THE COURTS SAID THAT THE
12 EVIDENCE WAS NOT GATHERED IN THE APPROPRIATE WAY THAT THE
13 COURTS REQUESTED TO EVEN EVALUATE WHETHER OR NOT RACIALLY-
14 POLARIZED VOTING EXISTED. THE EXPERT AT THAT TIME PROVIDED
15 SOME NEW METHODOLOGIES THAT WERE INCONSISTENT WITH PREVIOUS
16 RESEARCH METHODOLOGIES. THEY USED HYPOTHETICAL PROJECTIONS.
17 THEY LOOKED ONLY AT DEMOCRATIC REGISTRATION NUMBERS AND TRIED
18 TO PROJECT LATINO VOTING STRENGTH AND WEAKNESS. AND IF YOU
19 READ THE CONO DECISION THERE ARE ABOUT 15 PAGES SPECIFICALLY
20 RELATED TO RACIALLY- POLARIZED VOTING. NOWHERE IS THE FINDING
21 THAT RACIALLY-POLARIZED VOTING DOES NOT EXIST IN LOS ANGELES
22 COUNTY. RATHER, THAT THAT BURDEN OF PROVING IT WAS NOT MET BY
23 THE ANALYSIS THAT WAS CONDUCTED IN THAT INSTANCE. AND SO WHAT
24 HAPPENS IS THAT IF SOMEBODY COMES ALONG AND RE-ANALYZES ALL
25 THOSE ELECTIONS AND FOLLOWS ALL OF THE STEPS THAT THE COURT



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1 HAS OUTLINED THAT NEED TO BE DONE, LOOKING AT ECOLOGICAL
2 REGRESSION, ECOLOGICAL INFERENCE, HOMOGENOUS PRECINCTS,
3 SCATTER PLOTS, CORRELATIONS, THERE ARE SPECIFIC METHODOLOGIES
4 THAT THE COURT HAS SAID YOU MUST USE. THAT'S EXACTLY THE
5 METHODOLOGY THAT WE HAVE USED. THAT'S THE EXACT METHODOLOGY
6 THAT I HAVE USED AND IN FACT PIONEERED AND PUBLISHED SOME
7 RESEARCH ARTICLES SPECIFICALLY ABOUT VOTING RIGHTS ACT
8 METHODOLOGY WITH PROFESSOR GROFFMAN. WHEN YOU USE THOSE
9 METHODOLOGIES AND REVIEW THOSE ELECTIONS, YOU ARRIVE AT THE
10 CONCLUSION THAT IN EVERY INSTANCE THERE IS STATISTICALLY
11 SIGNIFICANT RACIALLY-POLARIZED VOTING. AND SO MY OWN REVIEW AS
12 A SOCIAL SCIENTIST OF CONO AND NOT AS A LEGAL SCHOLAR IS THAT
13 THE EVIDENCE THAT WAS MARSHALED, THE EVIDENCE THAT WAS
14 GATHERED AND THE WAY IN WHICH IT WAS ANALYZED, THE
15 METHODOLOGY, WAS NOT APPROPRIATE AND THAT WAS THE COURT'S
16 DECISION. THAT IF DIFFERENT EVIDENCE HAD BEEN ANALYZED
17 APPROPRIATELY, IT IS VERY POSSIBLE THAT THE COURT WOULD HAVE
18 SAID YES, THERE IS VERY STRONG EVIDENCE OF RACIALLY- POLARIZED
19 VOTING. BUT THEY DID NOT CONCLUDE THAT THERE IS NO POLARIZED
20 VOTING IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY.

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22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** CAN I ASK YOU? COULD YOU JUST RESPOND TO
23 THAT? OUR COUNSEL, LAURA BRILL, ON THIS.

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1 **LAURA BRILL:** THANK YOU. I THINK THERE'S NO DOUBT THAT
2 PROFESSOR BARRETO'S DONE A GREAT DEAL OF WORK AND THAT HIS
3 VIEWS ARE VERY STRONGLY AND SINCERELY FELT. I DO THINK THEY DO
4 NOT REFLECT A CORRECT VIEW OF THE LAW AND WITH RESPECT TO HOW
5 POLARIZED VOTING AFFECTS THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT ANALYSIS. IT IS
6 NOT THE CASE THAT EVERY TIME YOU'RE IN A JURISDICTION IN WHICH
7 THERE MIGHT BE SOME DEGREE OF DIFFERENCE WITH RESPECT TO HOW
8 DIFFERENT GROUPS VOTE, THAT THAT MEANS YOU HAVE TO CREATE A
9 MAJORITY/MINORITY DISTRICT. THERE'S NO DOUBT THAT THE COUNTY
10 HAS TO COMPLY WITH THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT, AND THAT MEANS TO
11 CREATE A FAIR OPPORTUNITY FOR MINORITIES TO ELECT CANDIDATES
12 OF CHOICE. BUT IT DOES NOT MEAN THAT EVERY TIME THERE'S SOME
13 DIFFERENCE IN HOW DIFFERENT GROUPS VOTE, THAT YOU HAVE AN
14 OBLIGATION TO CREATE A MAJORITY/MINORITY DISTRICT IN ORDER TO
15 MAKE THAT HAPPEN. AND SO AS AN EXAMPLE, RACIALLY- POLARIZED
16 VOTING ONLY MEANS THAT AS MR. BARRETO IS USING IT, PROFESSOR
17 BARRETO, SORRY, ONLY MEANS THAT THERE'S SOME DIFFERENCE IN HOW
18 GROUPS VOTE. BUT IF YOU HAVE HIGH LEVELS OF COHESION AMONG
19 LATINOS, FOR EXAMPLE, AS PROFESSOR BARRETO SAYS EXISTS AND YOU
20 ALSO HAVE SUBSTANTIAL CROSSOVER VOTING OF NON-LATINOS THEN IT
21 MAY BE POSSIBLE TO ELECT CANDIDATES OF CHOICE OF LATINO VOTERS
22 IN DISTRICTS WITH LOWER THAN 50 PERCENT MAJORITY CITIZEN
23 VOTING AGE POPULATIONS. IN THE CONO CASE WHICH I THINK YOU'RE
24 SPECIFICALLY ASKING ABOUT, THERE WAS A FOCUS ON TWO DISTRICTS
25 THAT WERE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. ONE WAS THE DISTRICT OF



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1 CONGRESSMAN HOWARD BERMAN. AND THE COURT LOOKED AT WHETHER
2 LATINO CANDIDATES OF CHOICE, RATHER, HAD A FAIR OPPORTUNITY TO
3 TO BE ELECTED IN THAT DISTRICT. AND THE COURT LOOKED AT A HUGE
4 AMOUNT OF DATA ABOUT THE ABILITY OF LATINOS TO ELECT
5 CANDIDATES OF CHOICE. AND IT FOUND ONLY ONE ELECTION OVER A
6 LARGE NUMBER OF ELECTIONS IN WHICH THE LATINO CANDIDATE OF
7 CHOICE WAS NOT ELECTED IN THAT DISTRICT, HOWARD BERMAN'S
8 DISTRICT. AND THAT'S WHY THE COURTS GRANTED SUMMARY JUDGMENT
9 IN FAVOR OF THE DEFENDANTS AND SAID THAT LATINOS DID HAVE A
10 FAIR OPPORTUNITY TO ELECTED CANDIDATES OF CHOICE IN THAT
11 DISTRICT EVEN THOUGH THERE WAS FAR LESS THAN A MAJORITY LATINO
12 CITIZEN VOTING-AGE POPULATION. THERE WAS ANOTHER DISTRICT THEN
13 HELD BY BETTY CARNET, WHICH WAS A STATE SENATE DISTRICT. AND
14 IN THAT DISTRICT, ALSO LOOKING AT A GREAT AMOUNT OF DATA, THE
15 COURT FOUND NO INSTANCES IN WHICH THE LATINO CANDIDATE OF
16 CHOICE HAD NOT BEEN ELECTED. AND THAT DISTRICT ALSO HAD A FAR
17 LOWER PERCENTAGE OF LATINO CITIZEN VOTING AGE POPULATION THAN
18 50 PERCENT.

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20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY. THANK YOU. THANK YOU, PROFESSOR?

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22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

23
24 **SUP. MOLINA:** MAY I ASK PROFESSOR BARRETO TO RESPOND TO THAT?



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1 **MATT BARRETO:** YEAH. THERE'S TWO ADDITIONAL POINTS THAT ARE
2 VERY IMPORTANT IN THE CONO DECISION AND AS YOU ALL CONSIDER
3 THE FUTURE OF THIS REDISTRICTING EFFORT. THE FIRST IS THAT
4 THAT ELECTABILITY ANALYSIS AT THAT DISTRICT-WIDE LEVEL WAS NOT
5 PERFORMED. SOME OF THOSE ELECTIONS BEING REFERRED TO WERE ONES
6 THAT WERE SUB-JURISDICTION ELECTIONS. AND SO PERHAPS IN THE
7 ENTIRETY OF THAT CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT THEY FOCUSED ON A
8 PERSON WHO WAS SUCCESSFULLY ELECTED TO A SCHOOL BOARD OR A
9 CITY COUNCIL THAT MAYBE DID HAVE A LARGE LATINO POPULATION.
10 BUT HERE WE HAVE TO LOOK AT THE ENTIRE DISTRICT POPULATION AND
11 SEE WHETHER OR NOT LATINOS WOULD BE ELECTABLE. BECAUSE IT IS
12 TRUE IF LATINOS ARE ELECTABLE WITH VERY STRONG CROSSOVER VOTE
13 THAT THERE MAY NOT BE A SECTION 2 VIOLATION. THE EVIDENCE THAT
14 WE HAVE GATHERED DOES A TYPE OF ANALYSIS CALLED THE
15 ELECTABILITY ANALYSIS. IT RECOMPILES ALL OF THE PRECINCTS INTO
16 THE PROPOSED A-3 MAP THAT YOU HAVE PROPOSED AND SAYS: HOW
17 WOULD THESE LATINO CANDIDATES FARE? NOT AT SOME SMALLER LOCAL
18 SCHOOL BOARD OR WATER DISTRICT OR CITY COUNCIL ELECTION, BUT
19 WITHIN THE ENTIRETY OF ONE-FIFTH OF THE COUNTY. AND THOSE
20 CANDIDATES WHO HAVE RUN IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY BEFORE, WHETHER
21 FOR STATEWIDE OR COUNTY OFFICE, HAVE NOT BEEN ABLE TO ECLIPSE
22 50 PERCENT. SO THEY ARE NOT ELECTABLE UNDER THE CURRENT A-3
23 MAP. THAT IS THE EXACT ELECTABILITY ANALYSIS THAT HAS TO TAKE
24 PLACE. BECAUSE THAT IS THE KEY TO PROVING WHETHER OR NOT THERE
25 IS ENOUGH CROSSOVER VOTE, WHICH THERE COULD BE, OR WHETHER



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1 THERE ISN'T. AND IN THE ELECTABILITY ANALYSIS, IT CLEARLY
2 DEMONSTRATES THAT UNDER THE CURRENT A-3 MAP, TWO LATINOS ARE
3 NOT ABLE TO GET ELECTED WITH THE DATA THAT HAS BEEN PUBLICLY
4 PROVIDED BY L.A. COUNTY.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. WE'LL GO BACK. SUPERVISOR?

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ON THE CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT, ON THE CONO
9 CASE IT WASN'T JUST SUBJURISDICTIONAL ELECTIONS THAT WERE
10 CONSIDERED, WAS IT, PROFESSOR? WAS THE 2001 MAYOR'S RACE. AND
11 I THINK THE ENTIRE CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT WITH THE EXCEPTION
12 OF THE CITY OF SAN FERNANDO, WHICH IS A VERY SMALL PART OF
13 THAT DISTRICT, WAS IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES? DIDN'T MAYOR
14 VILLARAIGOSA WIN IN THAT DISTRICT?

15

16 **MATT BARRETO:** THERE WERE A NUMBER OF ELECTIONS THAT WERE
17 CONSIDERED IN THAT CASE. I DON'T KNOW SPECIFICALLY THE
18 VILLARAIGOSA OUTCOME. I HAVEN'T ANALYZED THE VILLARAIGOSA
19 OUTCOME IN BERMAN'S DISTRICT.

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21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** DO YOU RECALL THAT MAYOR VILLARAIGOSA, OR HE
22 WAS THEN COUNCILMAN VILLARAIGOSA, FILED AN AFFIDAVIT IN THE
23 CONO CASE?

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1 **MATT BARRETO:** I WASN'T WORKING FOR HIM AT THE TIME. I DON'T
2 KNOW WHAT HE DID.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OKAY. I THINK HE DID. AND ON THE SIDE OF THE
5 DEFENDANTS IN THAT CASE, I BELIEVE THAT'S THE CASE. I READ IT.
6 IT'S BEEN 10 YEARS. BUT I BELIEVE HE WON IN 2001 IN THAT
7 DISTRICT WHEN HE LOST CITYWIDE AND HE WON AGAIN IN 2005 IN
8 THAT DISTRICT WHEN HE WON CITYWIDE.

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10 **LAURA BRILL:** THAT'S CORRECT. SUPERVISOR.

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ANYWAY, I KNOW THIS COULD GO ON FOREVER. BUT
13 I APPRECIATE -- I'VE READ A LOT OF YOUR STUFF IN THE LAST MANY
14 MONTHS. THAT DOESN'T ENDEAR ME TO YOU. BUT IT'S HIGHLY
15 TECHNICAL STUFF. BUT I THINK YOU DO HAVE A GREAT REPUTATION.
16 YOU DO GREAT WORK. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY.

17

18 **MATT BARRETO:** THANK YOU.

19

20 **RHONDA ORTIZ:** GOOD AFTERNOON MAYOR ANTONOVICH AND MEMBERS OF
21 THE BOARD. MY NAME IS RHONDA ORTIZ AND I AM WITH THE PROGRAM
22 FOR ENVIRONMENTAL AND REGIONAL EQUITY RESEARCH CENTER AT
23 U.S.C. HEADED BY MANUEL PASTOR. WHILE MANY ANALYSTS WILL FOCUS
24 ON THE ETHNIC DEMOGRAPHICS OF THE DISTRICTS, PER SE, WE WOULD
25 SUGGEST THAT THAT THE COMMUNITIES OF THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY



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1 AND GATEWAY CITIES JOIN TOGETHER ON THE PROPOSED DISTRICT 3 ON
2 THE T-1 MAP RECOMMENDED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA AND TO A SIMILAR
3 BUT LESSER DEGREE IN THE S-2 MAP RECOMMENDED BY SUPERVISOR
4 RIDLEY-THOMAS ARE ALSO LINKED IN THREE WAYS. THEY FACE SIMILAR
5 ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS, ESPECIALLY IN TERMS OF SIGNIFICANT
6 EXPOSURE TO AIR QUALITY AND HAZARDS. THEY HOST A NUMBER OF
7 COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS WORKING TOGETHER ON THESE
8 ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS. AND THEY CONTAIN A LARGE SHARE OF
9 LATINOS, A POPULATION THAT RECENT POLLING HAS SHOWN TO EXHIBIT
10 A HIGHER CONCERN ABOUT THE ENVIRONMENT THAN CALIFORNIANS AS A
11 WHOLE. BASED ON RESEARCH FUNDED BY THE CALIFORNIA AIR
12 RESOURCES BOARD, WE HAVE MAPPED L.A. COUNTY BASED ON PROXIMITY
13 TO HAZARDS IN AIR QUALITY AND THE RESULTS SHOW THERE ARE
14 SIMILARITIES IN THE ACCESS RUNNING FROM THE GATEWAY CITIES
15 THROUGH EAST L.A. AND UP TO THE EASTERN SAN FERNANDO VALLEY
16 AND THAT THE T-1 MAP TENDS TO BRING TOGETHER PEOPLE WITH
17 COMMON ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS. INCLUDED ON THE MAP IS EACH
18 DISTRICT'S COEFFICIENT OF VARIATION, WHICH I WILL SUBMIT TO
19 YOU LATER, WHICH TELLS US HOW SIMILAR OR DIFFERENT THE TRACKS
20 ARE WITHIN EACH DISTRICT IN TERMS OF EXPOSURE. YOU CAN SEE ON
21 THE MAPS THAT DISTRICT 3 ON THE T-1 MAP IS THE ONE WITH THE
22 LEAST VARIATION OR THE ONE WITH MOST COMMONALITIES IN TERMS OF
23 HAZARD PROXIMITY AND SENSITIVE LAND USES, THAT S-2 IS A CLOSE
24 SECOND AND A-3 IS A DISTANT THIRD IN TERMS OF COMMONALITIES.
25 SO WHEN IT COMES TO ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES LIKE AIR QUALITY AND



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1 PROXIMITY TO HAZARDS, THE T-1 AND S-2 MAPS, BUT EVEN MORE SO
2 ON THE T-1 MAP, CONNECTS COMMUNITIES BY THEIR COMMONALITIES,
3 WHEREAS THE A-3 MAP SEPARATES THEM. COMMUNITIES ON THE GROUND
4 IN THE PROPOSED DISTRICT 3 ON THE T-1 MAP ARE ALREADY KEENLY
5 AWARE OF THEIR COMMONALITIES. A REPORT BY THE LIBERTY HILL
6 FOUNDATION, HIDDEN HAZARDS, PROFILES THE WORK OF SIX
7 ORGANIZATIONS WORKING TOGETHER TO TRANSFORM L.A. COMMUNITIES
8 MOST IMPACTED BY INDUSTRIAL POLLUTION INTO VIBRANT AND HEALTHY
9 PLACES FOR FAMILIES. AMONG THE ORGANIZATIONS INCLUDE FOUR IN
10 THE PROPOSED DISTRICT 3 ON THE T-1 MAP IN PACOIMA, BOYLE
11 HEIGHTS, HUNTINGTON PARK, AND COMMERCE. LATINOS COMMUNITIES IN
12 THESE AREAS CARE VERY DEEPLY ABOUT THE ENVIRONMENT, INDEED
13 MORE DEEPLY THAN OTHER CALIFORNIANS. IN A POLL CONDUCTED LAST
14 NOVEMBER BY U.S.C. AND THE L.A. TIMES, WE FOUND AMONG OTHER
15 INDICATORS THAT 50 PERCENT OF LATINOS WORRY A GREAT DEAL ABOUT
16 GLOBAL WARMING, AS COMPARED TO 26 PERCENT OF NON-HISPANIC
17 WHITES. THIS IS NOT A NEW FINDING. THE MOST RECENT STATEWIDE
18 SURVEY BY THE PUBLIC POLICY INSTITUTE OF CALIFORNIA FOUND THAT
19 BLACKS AND LATINOS AT ABOUT 41 PERCENT ARE MORE LIKELY THAN
20 ASIAN AMERICANS AND WHITES AT 19 PERCENT TO CONSIDER REGIONAL
21 AIR POLLUTION A SERIOUS HEALTH THREAT. P.P.I.C. ALSO FOUND
22 THAT LATINOS OPPOSE OIL DRILLING OFF THE CALIFORNIA COAST AND
23 NUCLEAR POWER PLANTS MORE SO THAN WHITES AND THAT LATINOS WERE
24 MORE LIKELY THAN WHITES TO SAY THAT DAMAGE TO THE SIERRA
25 MOUNTAINS FROM URBAN GROWTH AND AIR POLLUTION WAS A BIG



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1 PROBLEM. MORE POLLUTED, MORE CONCERNED ABOUT THE ENVIRONMENT
2 AND ALREADY WORKING ACROSS THE GEOGRAPHY TO CREATE A CLEANER
3 L.A., THIS IS A SET OF COMMUNITIES BOUND TOGETHER BY MORE THAN
4 THE NATIONAL ORIGINS OF THEMSELVES.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YOU'RE ON YOUR 25 MINUTE LIMIT.

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8 **ARTURO VARGAS:** GOOD MORNING, MY NAME IS ARTURO VARGAS, I'M THE
9 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE L.A. EDUCATIONAL FUND. IN PAST
10 TESTIMONY BEFORE THIS BOARD WE HAVE EMPHASIZED THE NEED FOR A
11 REDISTRICTING PLAN THAT COMPLIES WITH THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT.
12 IN THIS TESTIMONY, WE WILL PRESENT EVIDENCE THAT LATINOS STILL
13 CONFRONT BARRIERS TO ACHIEVING FULL FAIR REPRESENTATION
14 THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AND THAT THERE IS
15 CONTINUED EXISTENCE OF DISCRIMINATION AGAINST LATINOS IN THE
16 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES IN THE ELECTORAL PROCESS. THE FACT
17 REMAINS THAT WHILE PROGRESS HAS BEEN ACHIEVED, WE HAVE NOT YET
18 REACHED THE DAY WHEN VOTING RIGHTS ACT AND CIVIL RIGHTS LAWS
19 CAN BE DISMISSED. ONE INDICATOR OF THE BARRIERS LOS ANGELES
20 COUNTY LATINOS FACE IN ACHIEVING FAIR REPRESENTATION IS THE
21 LACK OF LATINOS SERVING ON LOCAL CITY COUNCILS IN CITIES IN
22 L.A. COUNTY WITH SIGNIFICANT LATINO ELECTORATES. AS OUR
23 TESTIMONY LOS ANGELES COUNTY IS RIFE WITH CITIES WITH MAJORITY
24 OR NEAR MAJORITY LATINO CITIZEN VOTING AGE POPULATIONS WHERE
25 THERE IS NO OR ONLY ONE LATINO SERVING ON THE CITY COUNCIL.



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1 THESE CITIES INCLUDE THE CITIES OF WHITTIER, WEST COVINA,
2 LAWNDALE, DUARTE, PALMDALE, CARSON, LANCASTER, ARTESIA,
3 PASADENA AND LONG BEACH. IN ADDITION, THERE IS EVIDENCE THAT
4 LATINOS CONTINUE TO FACE BARRIERS IN ELECTORAL PARTICIPATION
5 IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. OUR TESTIMONY INCLUDES THE SUMMARY OF
6 RESEARCH THAT WE HAVE CONDUCTED THAT WE DID IN ASSOCIATION
7 WITH THE RE-AUTHORIZATION OF THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT IN 2006 IN
8 WHICH LATINO ELECTED OFFICIALS RESPONDED THAT THEY HAD
9 EXPERIENCED PERSONALLY OR OBSERVED DISCRIMINATION AGAINST THEM
10 BECAUSE THEY ARE LATINOS IN THE ELECTORAL PROCESS HERE IN LOS
11 ANGELES COUNTY. NEARLY THREE FOURTHS OF THOSE WE SURVEYED HAVE
12 PERSONALLY EXPERIENCED OR OBSERVED DISCRIMINATION ACTIVITIES
13 RELATED TO RUNNING FOR OR HOLDING PUBLIC OFFICE. THE MOST
14 PREVALENT TYPES OF DISCRIMINATION IDENTIFIED BY THOSE
15 RESPONDENTS WERE RELATED TO CAMPAIGNING, RACIALLY-POLARIZED
16 VOTING, RACIAL OR ETHNIC APPEALS MADE THROUGH THE ELECTION
17 PROCESS AND THE REDISTRICTING AND DISTRICT BOUNDARY PROCESS.
18 THE EVIDENCE IS CLEAR AND STRONG THAT DISCRIMINATION CONTINUES
19 IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AGAINST LATINOS. THERE CONTINUE
20 TO BE BARRIERS TO LATINOS BEING ELECTED IN THE COUNTY. THE DAY
21 IS NOT YET HERE TO DISMISS THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT. THANK YOU.

22
23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SIR. I UNDERSTAND PROFESSOR
24 LEVITT WILL HAVE ONE MINUTE. THAT'S THE TIME REMAINING. IS HE
25 HERE OR IS HE STILL STUCK IN TRAFFIC? IF HE'S STUCK IN



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1 TRAFFIC, WHEN HE COMES, WE'LL ASK MR. LEVITT, PROFESSOR LEVITT
2 TO SPEAK. SO YOU'LL LET ME KNOW WHEN HE SHOWS UP.

3

4 **SUP. MOLINA:** ALL RIGHT. DO YOU WANT TO CALL THE OTHERS,
5 MICHAEL? WE HAVE OTHERS.

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7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YES. THOSE ARE ALL YOURS, THOSE ARE
8 YOUR SIX. AIDE CASTRO? JACKIE DUPONT WALKER? JOHN KENNEDY.
9 JESUS ESCONDON? THIS IS PART OF THE SECOND DISTRICT'S
10 PRESENTATION.

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12 **SUP. MOLINA:** DR. LEVITT IS HERE.

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14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** DR. LEVITT IS HERE. I'M GOING TO LET
15 DR. LEVITT SPEAK FOR HIS MINUTE FIRST AND THEN YOU SIT DOWN,
16 JOHN. LET DR. LEVITT HAVE ONE OF THE CHAIRS. DR. LEVITT,
17 YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE ONE MINUTE.

18

19 **JUSTIN LEVITT:** YES, SIR. THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. I VERY MUCH
20 APPRECIATE THE TIME. IN MY ONE MINUTE I WANT TO EMPHASIZE THAT
21 YOU HAVE A CHOICE TODAY. ON THE ONE HAND THE LINES THAT
22 PURPORT ABOVE ALL ELSE TO PRESERVE THE PAST AND THAT RISK
23 LITIGATION AND EXPENSE THAT I AND ALL OF MY FELLOW L.A. COUNTY
24 TAXPAYERS WILL HAVE TO BEAR. AND ON THE OTHER HAND IS A MORE
25 PROMISING PATH, A MAP THAT ACTUALLY REFLECTS THE DEMOGRAPHIC



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1 REALITY OF THE COUNTY AND LIVES UP TO A SHARED FUNDAMENTAL
2 LEGAL COMMITMENT TO EQUITABLE REPRESENTATION. IT'S CLEAR THAT
3 IT'S POSSIBLE TO DRAW TWO DISTRICTS IN L.A. WHERE A LATINO
4 COMMUNITY HAS THE EFFECTIVE OPPORTUNITY TO ELECT CANDIDATES OF
5 CHOICE. IT'S ALSO CLEAR FROM ALL OF THE EVIDENCE THAT I'VE
6 SEEN THAT'S PUBLICLY AVAILABLE, INCLUDING THE 414 PAGES THAT
7 WE SUBMITTED BEFORE YOU ALREADY, THAT THIS IS A LEGAL
8 OBLIGATION, THAT FEDERAL LAW IMPOSES, THAT STATE LAW IMPOSES
9 THAT YOU MUST CONSIDER. AND CHIEF JUDGE KACZYNSKI PUT IT BEST
10 WHEN HE STATED THE DYNAMIC AT WORK HERE. IN 1990 HE SAID WHEN
11 THE DUST IS SETTLED AND LOCAL PASSIONS HAVE COOLED, THIS CASE
12 WILL BE REMEMBERED FOR ITS LUCID DEMONSTRATION THAT ELECTED
13 OFFICIALS ENGAGED IN THE SINGLE-MINDED PURSUIT OF INCUMBENCY
14 CAN RUN ROUGHSHOD OVER THE RIGHTS OF PROTECTED MINORITIES. ONE
15 OF YOUR OPTIONS WOULD REPEAT THAT UNFORTUNATE PRACTICE. THE
16 OTHER WOULD MAKE HISTORY BY DOING THE RIGHT THING FOR THE VERY
17 FIRST TIME AND I URGE YOU TO TAKE THAT SECOND COURSE.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY, THANK YOU.

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21 **SUP. MOLINA:** THANK YOU.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ALSO LET ME THEN CALL UP DR. HECTOR
24 FLORES? DR. HECTOR FLORES? OKAY. YES, MA'AM. YOU CAN GO FIRST.



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1 EACH OF YOU HAVE ONE MINUTE? AND THIS IS FROM THE SECOND
2 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT. WE HAVE A LIST FOR ONE MINUTE EACH.

3

4 **AIDE CASTRO:** THANK YOU SIR. MY NAME IS AIDE CASTRO, I SERVE AS
5 THE MAYOR OF LYNWOOD AND I AM HERE ONCE AGAIN TO RESTATE MY
6 SUPPORT FOR THE T-1 AND S-2 MAPS. AS I EXPRESSED PREVIOUSLY
7 THE CITY OF LYNWOOD HAS UNDERGONE MAJOR DEMOGRAPHIC CHANGES IN
8 THE PAST GENERATION, MOSTLY BLACK AND LATINO RESIDENTS NOW
9 POPULATE LYNWOOD, JUST LIKE SO MANY OTHER CITIES IN THE
10 SOUTHEAST LOS ANGELES COUNTY. THE VOTING POWER OF BOTH THESE
11 GROUPS, AS WITH ALL ETHNIC MINORITY GROUPS, MUST BE PROTECTED
12 ACCORDING TO THE VOTERS RIGHT ACT. BUT WITH A-3 MAP, LATINO
13 VOTING POWER WILL BE DELIBERATELY DILUTED. I URGE YOU TO
14 FOLLOW THE NUMBERS AND FOLLOW THE LAW. AND WITH ALL DUE
15 RESPECT TO THE COUNTY COUNSEL, LET ME REMIND YOU: HOW DID
16 SUPERVISOR MOLINA GET HER DISTRICT? AND IT WAS THROUGH A
17 COURT. IT HAS ALREADY BEEN DECIDED. DO NOT REPEAT HISTORY. DO
18 NOT WASTE MY TAX DOLLARS ON FRIVOLOUS LITIGATION. AND DO
19 WHAT'S RIGHT FOR THIS COMMUNITY AND FOR ALL OF LOS ANGELES
20 COUNTY. I THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS AND
21 SUPERVISOR GLORIA MOLINA FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP, BLACK AND BROWN
22 UNITED.

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. MR. KENNEDY.

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1 **JOHN KENNEDY:** MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS
2 JOHN KENNEDY, SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
3 URBAN LEAGUE. OUR AGENCY'S MISSION IS TO ADVANCE THE ECONOMIC,
4 EDUCATIONAL AND ENTREPRENEURIAL INTERESTS OF AFRICAN-AMERICANS
5 AND OTHER MINORITIES. WE MAINTAIN EFFECTIVE RELATIONS WITH OUR
6 ELECTED OFFICIALS. REDISTRICTING CAN BE AN EMPOWERING OR
7 DISRUPTIVE PROCESS. SO CAN ELECTIONS. AMERICAN DEMOCRACY IS
8 INHERENTLY DISRUPTIVE OF THE STATUS QUO. WE DO NOT FEAR CHANGE
9 TO THE MAP BOUNDARIES OR IMPACT ON OUR ABILITY TO ACCESS
10 RESOURCES OR DELIVERY OF SERVICES. THE SERVICE PLANNING AREA
11 REMAINS THE SAME. WE ARE CONFIDENT THAT THE BOARD OF
12 SUPERVISORS WILL MAKE THE ADJUSTMENTS NECESSARY FOR A SEAMLESS
13 TRANSITION AS WAS THE CASE WITH THE ELECTION OF THE CURRENT
14 SUPERVISOR IN THE SECOND DISTRICT IN 2008. THIS WAS THE FIRST
15 CHANGE IN COMPOSITION OF THE BOARD SINCE 1996.

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17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, JOHN.

18

19 **JOHN KENNEDY:** THANK YOU.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET ME ALSO CALL UP SYLVIA MENDEZ AND
22 PROFESSOR GARY ORFIELD. YES SIR.

23

24 **JESUS ESCONDON:** GOOD AFTERNOON. SUPERVISORS. I AM JESUS
25 ESCONDON. I SERVED ON THE BOUNDARY REVIEW COMMITTEE AS AN



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1 ALTERNATE REPRESENTING THE SECOND DISTRICT. I SIGNED THE
2 B.R.C.'S MINORITY REPORT AND SUPPORTED PLAN S-2 BECAUSE IT
3 DOES A BETTER JOB OF COMPLYING WITH THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT THAN
4 PLAN A-3. IN REDRAWING BOUNDARIES FOR THE BOARD, THE
5 SUPERVISORS SHOULD NOT REPEAT HISTORY. I REPEAT. YOU SHOULD
6 NOT REPEAT HISTORY. WHEN A COURT OF LAW FOUND IN GARZA THAT
7 THE BOARD INTENTIONALLY ENGAGED IN DILUTING THE LATINO
8 COMMUNITY'S VOTING STRENGTHS. RATHER, THE BOARD SHOULD MAKE
9 HISTORY BY ADOPTING A MAP THAT FULLY COMPLIES WITH THE VOTING
10 RIGHTS ACT AND VOLUNTARILY EMPOWERS A COMMUNITY WITHOUT HAVING
11 TO RESORT TO THE COURTS. AS A LATINO RESIDENT OF THE SECOND
12 DISTRICT, I ALSO WANT TO COMMEND MY AFRICAN-AMERICAN NEIGHBORS
13 FOR STANDING IN SOLIDARITY WITH US IN OUR EFFORT TO PROTECT
14 AND DEFEND OUR VOTING CIVIL RIGHTS, THE MOST PRECIOUS RIGHT OF
15 ALL. THANK YOU. MUCHAS GRACIAS.

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17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SIR. LET ME ALSO CALL UP
18 IRMA MUNOZ AND DAVID MYERS. YES, SIR.

19
20 **DR. HECTOR FLORES:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS DR.
21 HECTOR FLORES, AND I'M THE CHAIR OF FAMILY MEDICINE AT WHITE
22 MEMORIAL MEDICAL CENTER. I'M HERE TODAY TO EXPRESS MY STRONG
23 SUPPORT FOR THE T-1 MAP AND THE S-2 MAP. TO FAIL TO SUPPORT
24 THEM REALLY THREATENS THE HEALTH OF THE PUBLIC IN LOS ANGELES
25 COUNTY. TO ILLUSTRATE MY POINT, IT IS HELPFUL TO LOOK AT THE



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1 PEOPLE THAT RESIDE IN THE REGION OF THE PROPOSED DISTRICT 3 IN
2 THE T-1 MAP. ACCORDING TO STUDIES AT U.C.L.A., THE PEOPLE
3 RESIDING IN THAT CORRIDOR HAVE THE HIGHEST INCIDENCE OF
4 COMMUNICABLE DISEASE, VACCINE-PREVENTABLE DISEASE, AND
5 DIABETES AND ITS COMPLICATIONS. AND SINCE MANY OF THE
6 INDIVIDUALS ARE UNINSURED, THEY OFTEN TURN TO THE SAFETY NET
7 FOR THEIR CARE AND THE HEALTH OF THOSE COMMUNITIES DEPENDS
8 LARGELY ON THE PEOPLE ELECTED TO REPRESENT THEM. SADLY FOR
9 SUPERVISORS, THE ABSENCE OF A COHESIVE COMMUNITY OF INTEREST
10 UNDER THE CURRENT DISTRICTS CREATES COMPETING DEMANDS,
11 REGIONAL POLITICS AND INSUFFICIENT REPRESENTATION RESULTING IN
12 THEIR NEEDS GOING UNANSWERED. THERE ARE MANY EXAMPLES WHERE
13 THE WILL OF THE PUBLIC HAS BEEN FRUSTRATED BECAUSE OF THIS IN
14 THE PAST. MOST NOTABLY THE UNDERSIZING OF L.A. COUNTY U.S.C.,
15 THE CLOSURE OF M.L.K., AND THE UNDERINVESTMENT IN SOUTH LOS
16 ANGELES. PLEASE VOTE FOR THE T-1 MAP.

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18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. ONE MOMENT.

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20 **GARY ORFIELD:** MY NAME IS GARY ORFIELD, I'M A PROFESSOR AT
21 U.C.L.A., AND CO-DIRECTOR OF THE CIVIL RIGHTS PROJECT, A
22 RESEARCH CENTER THAT'S PRODUCED OVER 400 STUDIES OF RACIAL
23 INEQUALITY IN THE UNITED STATES. THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT IS
24 INTENDED TO DEAL WITH A HISTORY OF DISCRIMINATION. THAT
25 HISTORY ISN'T OVER HERE NOW. WE JUST COMPUTED THE RESIDENTIAL



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1 SEGREGATION LEVELS OF EVERY CITY IN THE SOUTHWEST. LOS ANGELES
2 IS THE MOST SEGREGATED COMMUNITY FOR LATINO RESIDENTS. WE SEE
3 TREMENDOUS INEQUALITY BY RACE IN EDUCATION, IN HOUSING, IN
4 INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITIES, IN JOB OPPORTUNITIES AND AN
5 INCREASINGLY DIRE FUTURE FOR THE COUNTY UNLESS IT ADDRESSES
6 THESE ISSUES. AND THOSE POPULATIONS THAT ARE BEING EXCLUDED
7 DESPERATELY NEED REPRESENTATION. WE'RE NOW IN A SITUATION
8 WHERE WE HAVE ONE-SEVENTH WHITES IN OUR PUBLIC SCHOOLS IN THE
9 COUNTY. ALMOST TWO-THIRDS LATINOS. THIS IS THE FUTURE OF OUR
10 COUNTY. THEY'RE NOT BEING EDUCATED. THEY'RE NOT GETTING JOBS,
11 THEY DON'T HAVE A VERY POSITIVE FUTURE.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

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15 **SUP. MOLINA:** THANK YOU, SIR.

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17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** HAS HE BEEN CALLED? ARE YOU BEEN
18 CALLED? LET ME ALSO CALL UP CLAIRE ROBINSON? CLAIRE ROBINSON?
19 OKAY. YES, MA'AM.

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21 **SYLVIA MENDEZ:** MY NAME IS SYLVIA MENDEZ. I'M HERE TO URGE THE
22 LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO ADOPT THE T-1 MAP
23 OR THE S-2 MAP. I'D LIKE TO TELL YOU MY STORY. MY PARENTS
24 WANTED ME TO HAVE AN EDUCATION WHILE GROWING UP IN SEGREGATED
25 ORANGE COUNTY IN 1940. MY PARENTS LEARNED THE HARD WAY TO SEEK



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1 EQUALITY FOR THEIR CHILDREN. ALONG WITH OTHER PARENTS, THEY
2 FILED A CLASS ACTION SUIT AGAINST THE WESTMINSTER SCHOOL
3 BOARD. BECAUSE OF THE LANDMARK DECISION, SCHOOLS WERE ALLOWED
4 TO INTEGRATE. EQUALITY IS FOUGHT AND FOUND IN THE COURTS. AND
5 I AM LIVING EXAMPLE OF IT. WHAT IS GOING ON TODAY AT THE BOARD
6 OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY IS A CLEAR VIOLATION OF THE CIVIL RIGHTS
7 AND VOTING RIGHTS AND THE ONE THAT WE WILL MOST LIKELY --
8 WHICH WILL MOST LIKELY BE FOUGHT IN THE COURTS. THESE MAPS
9 WOULD SUPPORT THE CREATION OF TWO LATINO OPPORTUNITY
10 DISTRICTS. NOT A LATINO SUPERVISOR. JUST THE FAIR OPPORTUNITY
11 --

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

14

15 **SUP. MOLINA:** MR. CHAIRMAN, MR. CHAIRMAN?

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17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

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19 **SUP. MOLINA:** I WANT TO THANK MISS MENDEZ FOR COMING. A LOT OF
20 PEOPLE DON'T KNOW WHO SHE IS. SHE IS THE DAUGHTER OF TWO
21 PARENTS WHO IN A TIME WHEN THERE WAS UNBELIEVABLE
22 DISCRIMINATION WERE ABLE TO FIGHT TO INTEGRATE OUR PUBLIC
23 SCHOOLS IN MENDEZ VERSUS -- [APPLAUSE.] -- WESTMINSTER. THE
24 REASON -- (GAVEL) -- THE REASON THAT SHE IS HERE, AND I THINK
25 IT'S IMPORTANT, AND WE JUST NAMED PROUDLY A SCHOOL IN THE NAME



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1 OF HER PARENTS, A BRAND NEW SCHOOL IN BOYLE HEIGHTS. BUT I
2 THINK THAT THIS IS AN EXAMPLE OF THE KIND OF LEADERSHIP AND
3 THROUGH THE COURTS THAT WE WERE ABLE TO GAIN OUR CIVIL RIGHTS,
4 OUR RIGHTS TO INTEGRATED PUBLIC SCHOOLS. AND I THINK IT'S
5 IMPORTANT THAT WE ACKNOWLEDGE MISS MENDEZ FOR COMING OUT AND
6 JOINING US. THANK YOU SO VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.] JUST
9 USE YOUR HANDS. USE YOUR HANDS. YES, MA'AM.

10

11 **IRMA MUNOZ:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS IRMA MUNOZ, I'M
12 PRESIDENT OF MUJERES DE LA TIERRA, AN ENVIRONMENTAL
13 ORGANIZATION. WE SUPPORT THE DISTRICT BOUNDARIES RECOMMENDED
14 BY BOTH SUPERVISOR MOLINA AND SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS AS THE
15 BEST MAPS ALLOCATING PROPER AND FAIR REPRESENTATION IN THE LOS
16 ANGELES COUNTY. WE ARE CONCERNED ABOUT THE DYNAMICS OF
17 REPRESENTATION AS THEY ARE MANIFESTED IN THE EQUITABLE
18 DISTRIBUTION OF PUBLIC FINANCIAL RESOURCES TO ADDRESS
19 ENVIRONMENTAL AND OTHER SOCIAL CONDITIONS THAT OUR COMMUNITIES
20 FACE. THE QUESTION HERE IS DO YOU HAVE THE COURAGE TO VOTE THE
21 RIGHT WAY? WILL YOU BE LEGALLY COMPLIANT? WILL YOU DO WHAT IS
22 RIGHT? AND IT DOES TAKE COURAGE BECAUSE WE DO NOT WANT TO GO
23 AND WASTE OUR TAXPAYER DOLLARS AND GO TO A LAWSUIT. IT IS SO
24 INTERESTING TO ME THAT WHEN I WAS IN COLLEGE, WE WERE HAVING
25 THESE CONVERSATIONS. WHEN I WENT TO LAW SCHOOL, WE WERE HAVING



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1 THESE CONVERSATIONS. WHEN I BECAME A YOUNG PROFESSIONAL WE
2 WERE HAVING THESE CONVERSATIONS AND THESE DEBATES. AND IN
3 2011, WE'RE STILL ASKING THE SAME QUESTIONS FOR OFFICE HOLDERS
4 TO BE COURAGEOUS TO VOTE THE RIGHT WAY AND THE ETHICAL WAY.
5 THANK YOU.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP MARIA
8 DURAZO AND AND TANUA THRESH. YES, SIR.

9

10 **DAVID DE MERS:** MY NAME IS DAVID DE MERS AND I'M HERE WITH THE
11 YOUNG MEN AND WOMEN OF THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY CONSERVATION
12 CORPS. I'M HERE TODAY TO URGE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO
13 ADOPT THE T-1 OR S-2 MAPS. EACH MAP MEETS THE DEMANDS OF THE
14 VOTING RIGHTS ACT BY SUPPORTING EQUITABLE DISTRIBUTION OF
15 REPRESENTATION. THIS ISSUE IS NOT ONE OF RACE BECAUSE BOTH THE
16 T-1 AND S-2 MAPS TREAT ALL GROUPS EQUALLY AND ENSURES THAT NO
17 GROUP'S VOTING POWER IS DILUTED. THESE MAPS SUPPORT OUR
18 ENVIRONMENTAL NEEDS AS WELL. ALTHOUGH WE TEND TO THINK OF
19 BEACHES, FORESTS AND OPEN SPACE WHEN WE THINK ABOUT THE
20 ENVIRONMENT, THE LOS ANGELES, SAN GABRIEL, AND RIO HONDO
21 RIVERS RUN THROUGH SOME OF THE MOST DENSELY POPULATED AREAS OF
22 THE COUNTY WHERE LATINO FAMILIES ARE NUMEROUS. I BELIEVE THAT
23 THERE'S A DIRECT CORRELATION BETWEEN THE ASSERTIVE
24 ENVIRONMENTAL ATTENTION BEING PAID TO THESE AREAS AND
25 SUPERVISOR MOLINA'S SERVICE TO THIS BOARD. PRIOR TO HER



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1 ARRIVAL, THIS SIMPLY WAS NOT THE CASE. A SECOND LATINO
2 OPPORTUNITY DISTRICT WILL MORE EFFECTIVELY REFLECT THE RICH
3 DIVERSITY AND CULTURE OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. AGAIN I URGE THIS
4 BOARD TO ADOPT EITHER THE T-1 OR S-2 MAPS.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SIR. YES MA'AM.

7

8 **CLAIRE ROBINSON:** MY NAME IS CLAIRE ROBINSON. AND I SERVE AS
9 MANAGING OF THE AMIGOS DE LOS RIOS, THE EMERALD NECKLACE
10 GROUP. I'M HERE TODAY TO SUPPORT THE T-1 AND S-2 MAPS. WE'VE
11 HEARD A LOT IN THE MEDIA AND IN THIS BOARDROOM FROM ADVOCATES
12 OF THE STATUS QUO ABOUT HOW MUCH IS AT STAKE FROM AN
13 ENVIRONMENTAL PERSPECTIVE IF WE DRASTICALLY REDRAW DISTRICT
14 BOUNDARIES. I SHARE THE SAME CONCERN. AND I THINK IT'S
15 PRECISELY BECAUSE SO MUCH IS AT STAKE THAT WE SHOULD EMBRACE A
16 DRAMATIC REVISION OF DISTRICT LINES. AT AMIGOS WE COLLABORATE
17 WITH OPEN SPACE ADVOCATES, URBAN ENVIRONMENTALISTS, TO BRING
18 MORE PARKS, RIVER RESTORATION AND GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE TO THE
19 LOS ANGELES RIVER, SAN GABRIEL RIVER, AND RIO HONDO BASIN.
20 THESE RIVERS BELONG TO ALL OF US. THEY RUN THROUGH ENCLAVES
21 PRIMARILY POPULATED WITH WORKING LATINO FAMILIES. FOR YEARS
22 THE RIVERS AND THE NEIGHBORHOODS SURROUNDING THEM WERE
23 NEGLECTED AND BLIGHTED. THIS BEGAN TO CHANGE WHEN THE
24 COMMUNITY BECAME ENVIRONMENTALLY CONSCIOUS AND ACTIVE, BUT
25 TRULY TOOK OFF ONCE THE ELECTED LEADERSHIP ACTUALLY CAME FROM



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1 THESE COMMUNITIES. WHEN WE THINK ABOUT ENVIRONMENTALISM IN
2 L.A. COUNTY NOWADAYS --

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, MA'AM.

5

6 **CLAIRE ROBINSON:** THANK YOU.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET ME ALSO CALL UP JACKIE DUPONT
9 WALKER AND MARIA DURAZO? OKAY.

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11 **MARIA ELENA DURAZO:** YES. MARIA ELENA DURAZO, AND I'M
12 SECRETARY-TREASURER OF THE LOS ANGELES FEDERATION OF LABOR,
13 A.F.L.-C.I.O., AND REPRESENT HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF MEN AND
14 WOMEN WHO WORK AND LIVE THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY, LIKE LONG SHORE
15 WORKERS AND TEAMSTERS AND FIREFIGHTERS, GROCERY WORKERS WHO
16 JUST GOT A GOOD CONTRACT, TEACHERS, HOTEL WORKERS. AND THESE
17 WORKERS AND THEIR NEIGHBORS ARE COMMUNITY MEMBERS FIRST. AND
18 THEY ARE THE REAL EXPERTS ON WHERE THEY LIVE. AND OVER THE
19 LAST SIX MONTHS, THEY HAVE BEEN SHARING THEIR COMMUNITY OF
20 INTEREST WITH YOU. FROM THEIR TESTIMONY, IT HAS BECOME CLEAR
21 TO US THAT THE SOUTHEAST IS ITS OWN COMMUNITY OF INTEREST AS
22 IS THE COASTAL AND WEST SIDE COMMUNITY, AS IS SOUTH L.A., AS
23 IS THE ANTELOPE VALLEY AND THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY, AS IS
24 DOWNTOWN L.A. AND THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY AS LINKED THROUGH
25 THE HUB OF BURBANK ALONGSIDE GRIFFITH PARK. PLEASE RESPECT THE



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1 DISTINCT COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST OF L.A. COUNTY AND THE UNIQUE
2 AND WONDERFUL DIVERSITY WHICH HELPS LOS ANGELES THRIVE AS A
3 MELTING POT FOR ALL. AND WE SUPPORT THE CREATION OF A SECOND
4 LATINO VOTING DISTRICT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET ME ALSO CALL UP JOHN TROY. JOHN
7 TROY, EFREN MARTINEZ, AND MARQUIS DAWSON HARRIS? YES, MA'AM.

8

9 **TANUA THRESH:** MY NAME IS TUNUA THRESH, AND I'M THE EXECUTIVE
10 DIRECTOR AT WEST ANGELES C.D.C. AND ONE OF THE DEVELOPERS OF
11 THE COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT MAP NOW CALLED S-2. FULL COMPLIANCE
12 WITH THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT MEANS THAT THE BOARD ACKNOWLEDGES
13 THE RACIAL POLARIZATION THAT EXISTS. IT SHOULD THEN ACT ON
14 THAT KNOWLEDGE BY VOTING TO ADOPT SUCH A MAP. THE MAP SHOULD
15 PROVIDE LATINOS WITH THE OPPORTUNITY TO ELECT CANDIDATES OF
16 CHOICE IN AT LEAST TWO OF THE FIVE DISTRICTS. PROTECTION OF
17 INCUMBENTS, REASSIGNMENT OF VOTERS, DEFERRAL OF ELECTION OR
18 CONSTITUENTS' COMFORT WITH THEIR OWN CURRENT REPRESENTATION
19 SHOULD NOT BE THE DOMINANT CRITERIA FOR ADOPTING MAPS. GENUINE
20 COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT PROTECTS THE VOTING RIGHTS OF THE
21 DISENFRANCHISED. THIS SHOULD BE YOUR PRIMARY CONCERN. WE SAY:
22 FOLLOW THE NUMBERS. FOLLOW THE LAW. MAKE HISTORY. DO NOT
23 REPEAT IT. [APPLAUSE.]

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. EXCUSE ME. EFREN MARTINEZ?
2 MARQUIS DAWSON HARRIS? THEY'RE IN TRAFFIC. AND JACKIE DUPONT
3 WALKER. AND IRENE TOVAR. OKAY, NOW SOME OF THESE PEOPLE ARE IN
4 TRAFFIC. WHEN THEY COME, WE'LL HAVE THEM SPEAK. MR. CHOY?

5

6 **JOHN CHOY:** THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS JOHN CHOY. I
7 WAS A B.R.C. APPOINTEE FOR THE SECOND DISTRICT REPRESENTING
8 SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS. FIRST OF ALL, I'D LIKE TO JUST
9 SAY I'M ENCOURAGED BY THE LEVEL OF PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT EVIDENCED
10 BY THE CROWDS HERE TODAY. I WANT TO JUST BEGIN WITH SAYING
11 THAT I PERSONALLY SIGNED THE B.R.C. MINORITY REPORT BECAUSE I
12 WAS PRESENTED WITH EVIDENCE OF RACIALLY-POLARIZED VOTING AND
13 FEEL STRONGLY THAT THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT COMPELS THE COUNTY TO
14 MAKE SIGNIFICANT CHANGES TO ITS CURRENT BOUNDARIES. I
15 PERSONALLY BELIEVE THAT EVERY COMMUNITY, PARTICULARLY
16 TRADITIONALLY UNDERSERVED COMMUNITIES OF COLOR, DESERVE AN
17 OPPORTUNITY FOR SELF-REPRESENTATION. I URGE THIS BOARD TO TAKE
18 THAT INTO CONSIDERATION AS A PRIMARY FACTOR IN MAKING THEIR
19 DECISIONS TODAY. THANK YOU.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MISS TOVAR?

22

23 **IRENE TOVAR:** THANK YOU. MY NAME IS IRENE TOVAR AND I HAVE
24 LIVED ALL OF MY LIFE IN THE NORTHEAST SAN FERNANDO VALLEY. I
25 WAS ALSO THE COMMISSIONER IN THE 1990 LOS ANGELES CITY



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1 REDISTRICTING COMMISSION. AND I'VE BEEN VERY ACTIVE IN MY ALMA
2 MATER BEING THE PAST PRESIDENT OF IT. I'M HERE BECAUSE I
3 STRONGLY SUPPORT PLAN T-1 AND S-2 AND I URGE YOU TO VOTE FOR
4 WHAT IS RIGHT AND WHAT IS HONEST AND FAIR. THESE TWO PLANS
5 COMPLY WITH A FEDERAL RIGHTING VOTES ACT. THE ACT THAT PEOPLE
6 GAVE THEIR LIFE FOR. IT ALSO COMPLIES WITH THE COMMUNITY OF
7 INTEREST. NO ONE CAN TELL ME THAT PACOIMA HAS A COMMUNITY OF
8 INTEREST WITH ENCINO AND THE GATED HIDDEN HILLS. IT CREATES
9 TWO LATINO DISTRICTS. IT PROTECTS THE RIGHT ACT OF AFRICAN-
10 AMERICANS AND ASIANS. WE LIVE, LET'S FACE REALITY, WE LIVE IN
11 A BEAUTIFUL DIVERSE SOCIETY. I URGE YOU TO VOTE YOUR
12 CONSCIENCE, ENFORCE THE LAW.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. FOR THE THIRD DISTRICT, WE
15 HAVE 25 PEOPLE FOR ONE MINUTE EACH. LET ME CALL THEM UP AT
16 THIS TIME. PAT MACNEAL. PAULA WILSON. PETER HARTZ. VA LECIA
17 ADAMS. OKAY. EACH HAVE ONE MINUTE. THANK YOU.

18

19 **PAT MACNEAL:** GOOD AFTERNOON. I AM PAT MACNEAL, COFOUNDER AND
20 PAST PRESIDENT OF THE TOPANGA COALITION FOR EMERGENCY
21 PREPAREDNESS. I CO-CHAIR WITH O.E.M.'S KEITH HARRISON AND THE
22 TOPANGA EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT TASKFORCE. THE MEMBERS ARE DRAWN
23 FROM ALL THE CRITICAL GOVERNMENT AGENCIES, COMMUNITY
24 STAKEHOLDERS, GROUPS AND ORGANIZATIONS WHO WORK TOGETHER TO
25 PREPARE FOR AND RESPOND TO AND RECOVER FROM THE NEXT



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1 INEVITABLE DISASTER. OUR COMMUNITY IS THE SANTA MONICA
2 MOUNTAINS AND WE ARE STAKEHOLDERS WHO DO NOT WANT TO PUT THIS
3 CRITICAL PARTNERSHIP AT RISK. SUCCESS AND CONTINUING TO MANAGE
4 OUR PREPAREDNESS EFFORTS IN THE REMARKABLE WILD LAND INTERFACE
5 KNOWN AS THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS REQUIRES COLLABORATION TO
6 BE A VERY HIGH PRIORITY FOR THE SUPERVISOR WHO UNDERSTANDS THE
7 EXTREME, EXTREME AND UNIQUE CHALLENGES OF THE DISASTER
8 PLANNING FACED IN THE THIRD DISTRICT. WE URGE YOU TO ADOPT THE
9 A-3 AMENDED --

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

12

13 **PAT MACNEAL:** REDISTRICTING PLAN.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YES, MA'AM.

16

17 **PAT MACNEAL:** AT LEAST I GOT THAT OUT.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YOU'RE ON.

20

21 **PAULA WILSON:** HI. I'M PAULA WILSON, THE PRESIDENT AND C.E.O.
22 OF VALLEY COMMUNITY CLINIC, A NONPROFIT AGENCY PROVIDING FREE
23 AND LOW COST HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE FAMILIES IN THE SAN
24 FERNANDO VALLEY FOR OVER 40 YEARS. I URGE YOU TO SUPPORT PLAN
25 A-3. LAST YEAR, WE CARED FOR 20,000 INDIVIDUALS AT THE VALLEY



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1 COMMUNITY CLINIC. OVER 65,000 HEALTH VISITS. 65 PERCENT OF OUR
2 PATIENTS ARE LATINO. AND WE PROVIDE VISITS RANGING FROM
3 PRIMARY CARE, DENTAL, OPTOMETRY AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES. WE
4 SERVE THE ENTIRE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY WITH OVER FOUR SITES AND
5 AN ADDITIONAL SITE DUE TO BE OPEN IN 2014. WE HAVE SPENT 40
6 YEARS DEVELOPING PARTNERSHIPS IN HOSPITALS AND SOCIAL SERVICE
7 AGENCIES, HOUSING, CHURCHES AND SCHOOLS. BASED ON THIS, WE
8 OPPOSE T-1 AND S-2, WHICH WOULD UNDERMINE AND FRACTIONALIZE
9 OUR EFFECTIVE HEALTHCARE NETWORK. THANK YOU.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO -- [APPLAUSE.]
12 PLEASE. WAVE YOUR HANDS. NO NOISE. LET ME ALSO CALL UP
13 NICHOLAS VRATARIC AND DR. IAN HUNTER.

14

15 **PETER HARTZ:** HELLO HAVE MY NAME IS PETER HARTZ. I'M PRESIDENT
16 OF THE TOLUCA LAKE HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION AND I'M HERE IN
17 OPPOSITION TO PLAN 1 AND PLAN 2 BECAUSE THEY NEEDLESSLY DIVIDE
18 OUR COMMUNITY OF INTEREST. THERE'S AN OLD SAYING THAT ALL
19 POLITICS IS LOCAL. TOLUCA LAKE IS A SMALL COMMUNITY IN THE
20 SHADOW OF UNIVERSAL STUDIOS. BOTH PLAN 1 AND PLAN 2 WOULD
21 DIVIDE UNIVERSAL INTO TWO DIFFERENT DISTRICTS. MEANWHILE, THEY
22 HAVE A VERY AGGRESSIVE PLAN ON DEVELOPMENT. AND BY PUTTING IT
23 INTO TWO DIFFERENT DISTRICTS, THIS HARMS OUR ABILITY OF THE
24 AREA TO SPEAK WITH ONE VOICE ON CRITICAL ISSUES SUCH AS
25 DEVELOPMENT AND TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENTS ALONG THE 101



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1 FREEWAY, THE CORRIDOR AND THE DESPERATELY CONGESTED BARHAM
2 BOULEVARD. SO APART FROM THE BIG ISSUES, THE LOCAL ISSUES ARE
3 PLAN 1, PLAN 2 ARE BAD FOR TOLUCA LAKE. THANK YOU.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

6

7 **VA LECIA ADAMS:** MY NAME IS DR. VA LECIA ADAMS, I'M THE
8 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF ST. JOSEPH CENTER, A NONPROFIT AGENCY IN
9 VENICE THAT SERVES APPROXIMATELY 6,000 WORKING POOR AS WELL AS
10 HOMELESS INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES ON LOS ANGELES'S WEST SIDE.
11 I'M HERE TODAY TO ADDRESS OUR CONCERN ABOUT THE POTENTIAL
12 IMPACT OF THE PROPOSED REDISTRICTING PLANS T-1 AND S-2 WHICH
13 WOULD DISPLACE MORE THAN 1/3 OF THE COUNTY'S POPULATION,
14 APPROXIMATELY 3.5 MILLION PEOPLE, BY MOVING THEM FROM ONE
15 DISTRICT TO ANOTHER. SUCH A MASSIVE DISLOCATION WOULD CUT
16 LONGSTANDING COMMUNITY TIES, INCLUDING KEY INTERAGENCY PUBLIC-
17 PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS. THIS WOULD ERASE HARD-WON PROGRESS THAT
18 HAS BEEN ACHIEVED IN THE AREAS OF POVERTY AND HOMELESSNESS. AS
19 A LEADER OF A SOCIAL SERVICE AGENCY THAT SERVES THOUSANDS OF
20 THE MOST VULNERABLE MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY, WE ARE
21 PARTICULARLY SENSITIVE TO THE NEED TO EMPOWER HISTORICALLY
22 UNDERSERVED POPULATIONS TO ENSURE ALL MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY
23 HAVE A VOICE. THE PROPOSED RE-ALIGNMENTS WOULD SIGNIFICANTLY
24 IMPACT OUR ABILITY TO CONTINUE SERVING OUR CLIENTS IN AN
25 EFFECTIVE MANNER BY DECIMATING THE COLLABORATIVE



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1 INFRASTRUCTURE THAT HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED IN THE CURRENT THIRD
2 DISTRICT. AT ST. JOSEPH'S CENTER, WE SUPPORT SOLUTIONS THAT
3 RESPECT THE VIBRANT COMMUNITY TIES THAT EXIST IN THE CURRENT
4 THIRD DISTRICT.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP DAVID
7 RESNICK AND FRANK MARTINEZ. YES SIR.

8

9 **IAN HUNTER:** MY NAME IS IAN HUNTER AND I'M THE PRESIDENT AND
10 C.E.O. OF THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH
11 CENTER. MY PRIMARY CONCERN IS THAT IF THERE IS SIGNIFICANT
12 ALTERATION OF THE GEOGRAPHICAL BOUNDARIES FOR THE THIRD
13 DISTRICT SUCH AS PROPOSED IN PLANS T-1 AND T-2 AND IF THE SAN
14 FERNANDO VALLEY IS SEGMENTED UNDER THREE DIFFERENT
15 SUPERVISORIAL OFFICES, EACH WITH DIFFERENT POLICIES AND
16 PRIORITIES, THERE WOULD BE POTENTIAL FOR SERIOUS DISRUPTION IN
17 THE VALLEY-WIDE MENTAL HEALTH SYSTEM OF CARE. THIS SYSTEM HAS
18 BEEN CAREFULLY DEVELOPED BY A BROAD STAKEHOLDER GROUP OVER
19 THREE DECADES OF PLANNING AND IMPLEMENTATION. IT HAS BEEN
20 DESIGNED TO ENSURE AN EFFECTIVE BALANCE OF GEOGRAPHICALLY
21 ACCESSIBLE, CULTURALLY SENSITIVE SERVICES BLENDED INTO ONE
22 INTEGRATED, COHESIVE AND COORDINATED SYSTEM OF CARE. WITHOUT
23 ACCESS TO THIS EXISTING VALLEY-WIDE NETWORK OF SERVICES TO
24 FACILITATE REFERRALS AND LINKAGE BETWEEN AGENCIES AND BETWEEN
25 LEVELS OF INTENSITY OF CARE, MANY SEVERELY MENTALLY ILL



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1 RESIDENTS OF THE VALLEY COULD EASILY FALL BETWEEN THE CRACKS
2 IN THE NEW SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS AND END UP HOMELESS.

3 [APPLAUSE.]

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YES, SIR.

6

7 **NICHOLAS VRATARIC:** I'M NICHOLAS VRATARIC, I'M THE EXECUTIVE
8 DIRECTOR OF THE CLARE FOUNDATION, A SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT
9 FACILITY THAT HAS BEEN PRACTICING IN THE WEST SIDE FOR OVER 40
10 YEARS. I'M ALSO A BOARD MEMBER OF THE WEST SIDE SHELTER AND
11 HUNGER COALITION. AND I JOIN THE SUPERVISORS IN SUPPORTING THE
12 VOTING RIGHTS ACT. BUT I'M RELUCTANT TO SUPPORT ANY MOTION
13 THAT WOULD DISRUPT SUCH A LARGE POPULATION. BOTH PLANS T-1 AND
14 S-2 NEEDLESSLY DIVIDE THE REGION THAT IS TOPOGRAPHICALLY AND
15 GEOGRAPHICALLY, SOCIALLY COHESIVE. SOCIAL SERVICE PROVIDERS IN
16 THE THIRD DISTRICT HAVE BEEN WORKING FOR DECADES TO IMPLEMENT
17 A CONTINUUM OF CARE DESIGNED TO KEEP THOSE IN NEED IN OUR
18 COMMUNITY FROM SLIPPING THROUGH THE SYSTEM. BOTH PLANS T-1 AND
19 S-2 WILL SET BACK THESE EFFORTS. PLAN A-3, HOWEVER, WILL
20 PRESERVE MANY OF THE VALUABLE RELATIONSHIPS, LEAVING THE
21 CURRENT THIRD DISTRICT LARGELY INTACT. I URGE THE BOARD TO
22 SUPPORT PLAN A-3. THANK YOU.

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24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SIR. LET ME ALSO CALL UP
25 ZVIKA BRENNER AND DAVID HONDA. YES, SIR.



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STEPHEN RESNICK: THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR AND SUPERVISORS. MY NAME
IS STEPHEN RESNICK AND I'M PRESIDENT OF THE WESTWOOD
HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION AND SECRETARY OF THE WESTWOOD
NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL. BOTH OF MY ORGANIZATIONS HAVE PASSED
MOTIONS WITHOUT DISSENT IN FAVOR OF PLAN A-3 AMENDED. SIMPLY
PUT, THE PEOPLE OF THE THIRD DISTRICT HAVE WORKED VERY WELL
FOR A VERY LONG TIME TO FURTHER OUR MANY COMMON GOALS, AND WE
STRONGLY BELIEVE WE SHOULD NOT BE DIVIDED. THERE IS MUCH WORK
TO BE DONE IN OUR COMMUNITIES. AND WE IN THE THIRD DISTRICT
WANT TO DO IT AND NEED TO DO IT TOGETHER. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU, SIR. LET ME ALSO CALL UP
FRANK MARTINEZ? IS FRANK MARTINEZ HERE? AND NANCY FREEDMAN?
DAVID?

16

DAVID HONDA: GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. HONORABLE MAYOR. MY
NAME IS DAVID HONDA. I REPRESENT THE 51ST DISTRICT --
ASSOCIATION FOR THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA. AND I'M ALSO
PRESIDENT OF ASIAN BUSINESS ASSOCIATION ONLINE, WHICH
REPRESENTS THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY. I'VE HEARD A LOT OF
DIALOGUE IN REGARDS TO THE RACE, THE ISSUES. AND YOU KNOW
SOMETHING? BEING JAPANESE AMERICAN, THERE'S BEEN A LOT OF
DISCRIMINATION IN THE PAST. SO I UNDERSTAND THE DISCRIMINATION
ISSUE. BUT I ALSO UNDERSTAND THAT SPLITTING THINGS UP TO

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1 CREATE ANOTHER DISTRICT JUST FOR THE PURPOSE OF RACE I DON'T
2 THINK IS NOT THE RIGHT WAY. I KNOW THAT YOU'LL VOTE YOUR
3 CONSCIENCE. [APPLAUSE.] AND I THINK THAT YOU'LL DO THE RIGHT
4 JOB. I THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. YES, SIR? YES, SIR.

7

8 **LEE RINGER:** I'M LEE RINGER. I'M WITH THE LAS VIRGINES
9 MUNICIPAL BOARD, THE WATER BOARD. AT ANY RATE, I'M THE
10 PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD AND I AM REPRESENTING THEM. WE ARE FOR
11 S-3. WE HAVE THE MALIBU WATERSHED THAT WE HAVE TO TAKE CARE
12 OF.

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14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** GIVE THE CORRECT NUMBER. EXCUSE ME. A-
15 3 OR S-3?

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17 **LEE RINGER:** I'M SORRY A-3.

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19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

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21 **LEE RINGER:** I'M SORRY. AT ANY RATE, WE NEED TO -- OUR 67,000
22 CUSTOMERS NEED TO BE ABLE TO ELECT A SUPERVISOR WHO WILL HELP
23 US WITH OUR CONCERNS AS FAR AS POLLUTION IS CONCERNED, TAKING
24 CARE OF THE WASTE WATER. AND WE'VE ALREADY SPENT \$10 MILLION
25 THIS YEAR JUST TO MAKE THINGS BETTER. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. YES, SIR.

3

4 **FRANK MARTINEZ:** MY NAME IS FRANK MARTINEZ. THANK YOU, MAYOR
5 ANTONOVICH AND OTHER MEMBERS OF THE BOARD FOR GIVING ME THE
6 OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK TODAY. I'M HERE IN FAVOR OF PLAN A-3.
7 OVER THE YEARS, DISTRICT 3 HAS FLOURISHED AND BLOSSOMED UNDER
8 THE SUPERVISION OF MR. YAROSLAVSKY. WE HAVE MADE GREAT STRIDES
9 AS IT RELATES TO PROPER REPRESENTATION ON MANY LEVELS OF
10 GOVERNMENT. IN THE THIRD DISTRICT WE CURRENTLY HAVE LATINO
11 REPRESENTATION IN THE CALIFORNIA STATE SENATE, STATE ASSEMBLY
12 AND THE LOS ANGELES CITY COUNCIL. FOR YEARS NOW MR.
13 YAROSLAVSKY HAS COORDINATED THE PRESENCE OF ALL OF THESE
14 LATINO AND OTHER ELECTED OFFICIALS, MADE THEM AVAILABLE TO HIS
15 CONSTITUENTS INCLUDING MYSELF VIA HIS GOVERNMENT DAY EVENT
16 THAT HE HOLDS ANNUALLY. SO TO SAY THAT WE NEED THE CHANGE OUR
17 DISTRICT BECAUSE WE DON'T HAVE PROPER REPRESENTATION IN MY
18 OPINION AS A LATINO IS UNNECESSARY. [APPLAUSE.] HOWEVER,
19 REGARDLESS OF WHAT HAPPENS HERE TODAY, I WANT TO PERSONALLY
20 THANK YOU, MR. YAROSLAVSKY, FOR YOUR HARD WORK, YOUR PASSION,
21 YOUR DEDICATION TO YOUR DISTRICT. YOU HAVE DEFINITELY HELPED
22 IT BECOME ONE OF THE FINEST DISTRICTS IN ALL OF THE L.A.
23 COUNTY. YOU, SIR, HAVE HELPED LAY THE FOUNDATION, SOLID
24 FOUNDATION TO WHAT WE'RE GOING TO BE ABLE TO DO GOING INTO THE
25 FUTURE. AND FOR THIS REASON I REQUEST RESPECTFULLY THAT THE



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1 BOARD VOTE IN FAVOR OF A-3. HELP US BUILD ON WHAT MR.
2 YAROSLAVSKY HAS ALREADY DONE.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YES, MA'AM.

5

6 **NANCY FREEDMAN:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. I'M NANCY
7 FREEDMAN, CHAIR OF THE BRENTWOOD COMMUNITY COUNCIL
8 REPRESENTING OVER 30,000 LOS ANGELOS. SINCE THE LAST TIME I
9 WAS HERE TO SPEAK AND TIME RAN OUT, GUESS WHAT? THE MAYOR HELD
10 A TOWN HALL IN OUR NECK OF THE WOODS AND FLYERS WERE SENT OUT
11 IN SPANISH AND ENGLISH. WE ARE GOOD NEIGHBORS WITH RESIDENTS
12 OF ALL NATIONALITIES AND RESENT THE ASSUMPTION THAT PLANS T-1
13 OR S-2 WOULD MAKE US A BETTER MIX OF PEOPLE. WE ALREADY ARE.
14 AND WE SUPPORT A-3 AMENDED. THE DEFINITION OF GERRYMANDER IS
15 TO DIVIDE AN AREA INTO POLITICAL UNITS TO GIVE SPECIAL
16 ADVANTAGES TO ONE GROUP. IS THAT NOT WHAT PLAN T-1 AND S-2
17 INTEND TO ACCOMPLISH? EITHER WOULD DESTROY OUR ALREADY
18 INTEGRATED NEIGHBORHOODS IN THE THIRD DISTRICT. THE TIME MAY
19 BE RIGHT FOR A CITIZEN COMMISSION SUCH AS THE STATE-
20 IMPLEMENTED THIS YEAR. WE FIRMLY BELIEVE YOU CAN MEET ALL THE
21 REQUIREMENTS OF THE LANDMARK FEDERAL VOTING RIGHTS ACT WITHOUT
22 DIVIDING OUR CITIES AND COMMUNITIES. JUST AS ONE EATS IN
23 MODERATION, WE BELIEVE DISTRICTS CAN BE ADJUSTED IN
24 MODERATION, NOT LINES DOWN THE MIDDLE. T-1 AND S-2 ARE NOT



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1 ACCEPTABLE IN HONORING COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST THAT SIT ON THE
2 SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

5

6 **NANCY FREEDMAN:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR MOLINA'S THREE NOMINEES
7 FOR SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 1 HAVE JUST ARRIVED. SO LET ME CALL
8 THEM UP FOR ONE MINUTE EACH. JACKIE DUPONT WALKER. EFREN
9 MARTINEZ AND MARQUIS DAWSON HARRIS.

10

11 **JACKIE DUPONT WALKER:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. LOS ANGELES
12 TRAFFIC WAS CHALLENGING. I'M JACKIE DUPONT WALKER, PRESIDENT
13 OF WARD ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, MEMBER OF THE
14 AFRICAN-AMERICAN REDISTRICTING COLLABORATIVE AND ONE OF THE
15 DEVELOPERS OF S-2. I DO BELIEVE AND I'M UNALTERABLY CONVINCED
16 THAT S-2 IS A GOOD PLAN. IT IS THE BEST PLAN. IF THERE HAD NOT
17 BEEN A NEED FOR THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT OF 1965 TO BE CONTINUED,
18 IT WOULD HAVE BEEN ELIMINATED. THE NEED CONTINUES FOR US TO
19 ENSURE THAT EVERYONE CAN VOTE FOR A PERSON THAT THEY CHOOSE.
20 AND WE BELIEVE THAT THE STATEWIDE EFFORT THAT WE HAVE SEEN
21 WITH THE STATE INDICATES TO US HOW IMPORTANT IT IS TO ENSURE
22 THAT PERSONS CAN VOTE FOR A PERSON OF THEIR CHOICE. WE URGE
23 YOU TODAY TO THINK OF THE COUNTY AS A WHOLE AND TO LOOK AT S-2
24 AND THE T PLAN AS ONE THAT WOULD ENSURE THAT EVERY RESIDENT OF



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1 THIS COUNTY IS ABLE TO ELECT A PERSON OF THEIR CHOICE. WE KNOW
2 THAT YOU CAN CARE ABOUT THE ENTIRE COUNTY.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, MA'AM. YES, SIR.

5

6 **MARQUIS HARRIS DAWSON:** MY NAME IS MARQUIS HARRIS DAWSON, I'M
7 THE PRESIDENT OF THE COMMUNITY COALITION AND ONE OF THE
8 MEMBERS OF THE AFRICAN-AMERICAN REDISTRICTING COLLABORATIVE
9 AND DEVELOPER OF MAP S-2. WE WANT THE THANK OUR SUPERVISOR
10 RIDLEY-THOMAS FOR EMBRACING THIS PLAN AND HELPING TO CREATE A
11 CONVERSATION IN OUR COMMUNITY AND BEYOND ABOUT THE PROTECTION
12 OF VOTING RIGHTS. OUR SUPPORT FOR TWO LATINO DISTRICTS IS NOT
13 PRIMARILY ABOUT RACE. IT IS ABOUT FOLLOWING THE LAW HERE IN
14 NOT ONLY THE UNITED STATES BUT IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA WITH
15 BOTH VOTING RIGHTS ACTS. WE MONITORED CLOSELY THE
16 DELIBERATIONS OF THE CALIFORNIA REDISTRICTING COMMISSION. AND
17 WE HEARD SIMILAR ARGUMENTS AND SIMILAR TESTIMONY THERE. THAT
18 TESTIMONY FORMED THE BASIS FOR THE PLAN THAT WE SUBMITTED TO
19 YOU TODAY. WE'VE EMPANELLED AND HEARD FROM CIVIL RIGHTS
20 ADVOCATES FROM THE A.P.I. COMMUNITY AND FROM THE LATINO
21 COMMUNITY AND FROM THE AFRICAN-AMERICAN COMMUNITY AS WELL. AND
22 WE THINK THAT OUR PLAN MEETS THE HIGHEST STANDARDS FOR THE
23 VOTING RIGHTS ACT. AND SO WE CONSOLIDATED INCREASINGLY ACTIVE
24 BASE OF ELECTORAL POWER.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. NOW WE'RE GOING BACK TO THE
2 THIRD DISTRICT NOW. NANCY FREEDMAN, ALAN BERNSTEIN, BARBARA
3 BROIDE, AND MARYLIN KRELL? YES, SIR.

4

5 **ALAN BERNSTEIN:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MAYOR ANTONOVICH, HONORABLE
6 SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS ALAN BERNSTEIN. I AM THE CHAIR OF THE
7 WEST HOLLYWOOD CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BOARD. AND THE CHAMBER OF
8 COMMERCE HAS TAKEN A POSITION IN SUPPORT OF A-3 AMENDED IN
9 OPPOSITION TO THE OTHER TWO MAPS IN THE BELIEF THAT WE NEED A
10 UNIFIED WEST SIDE ECONOMIC BASE FOR TRANSPORTATION, FOR PUBLIC
11 SAFETY AND TO ENSURE OUR ECONOMIC EXPANSION DURING THESE
12 TRYING TIMES. ON A SEPARATE NOTE, I'M ALSO THE VICE CHAIR OF
13 THE BOARD OF NATIONAL GAY AND LESBIAN TASKFORCE AND THE
14 INCOMING CHAIR OF THE FAMILY EQUALITY COUNCIL BOARD, TWO
15 NATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS THAT FOR OVER 30 YEARS HAVE FOUGHT FOR
16 EQUALITY FOR GAY AND LESBIAN PEOPLE AND BISEXUAL AND
17 TRANSGENDERED ACROSS THE COUNTRY. AND I MUST POINT OUT IN 2008
18 IN THE IN RE MARRIAGE DECISION, THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA RULED
19 THAT THE GAY AND LESBIAN COMMUNITY IS DESERVING OF STRICT
20 SCRUTINY. THE CURRENT THIRD DISTRICT UNIFIES OUR COMMUNITY. IT
21 GIVES US A VOICE IN THIS DISTRICT AND IN THE ENTIRE COUNTY.
22 AND IT WOULD BE CRUEL AND IRONIC IF IN OUR FIRST OBLIGATION AS
23 A COUNTY TO REDISTRIBUTE WE SEPARATED THIS COMMUNITY OF INTEREST
24 INTO VARIOUS DISTRICTS. I URGE YOU TO KEEP THE A-3 AMENDED SO
25 WE CAN HAVE A FULL VOICE. THANK YOU.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET ME ALSO CALL UP MR. BRENNER AND
3 RICHARD PACKARD. YES, MA'AM.

4

5 **BARBARA BROIDE:** BARBARA BROIDE, PRESIDENT WESTWOOD SOUTH OF
6 SANTA MONICA BOULEVARD HOMEOWNERS. WE ARE AT THE DAWN OF A NEW
7 ERA IN L.A. COUNTY WITH THE ADVENT OF TERM LIMITS. THINGS ARE
8 NOT EVER GOING TO BE THE SAME. WITH MORE FREQUENT CHANGES OF
9 REPRESENTATIVES THE BENEFITS OF LONG-TERM RELATIONSHIPS AND
10 ASSOCIATED TRUST SO CRITICAL TO BUILDING THE BRIDGE BETWEEN
11 GOVERNMENT AND ITS CONSTITUENTS ARE PLACED AT RISK. THE JOB OF
12 MAINTAINING CONTINUITY WILL FALL TO THOSE OF US IN THE
13 COMMUNITY. YET UNDER PLANS T-1 AND S-2, MANY OF THESE
14 ALLIANCES WILL BE DESTROYED BECAUSE SOMEONE, SOMEWHERE HAS
15 HYPOTHESIZED THAT NUMBERS AND STATISTICS ARE MORE IMPORTANT
16 THAN RELATIONSHIPS. WE FACE ENOUGH IN OUR COMMUNITY WORK
17 WITHOUT THE ADDED OBSTACLES BROUGHT ON BY PLANS T-1 AND S-2,
18 WHICH SEEK TO MOVE MILLIONS OF OUR CONSTITUENTS FROM THEIR
19 DISTRICTS. I PLEAD DON'T DESTROY YEARS OF HARD WORK. DON'T
20 MAKE OUR WORK HARDER. WE HAVE DEMONSTRATED OUR TRUSTWORTHINESS
21 AT THE POLLS. WE HAVE SHOWN THAT WE CAN, WILL AND DO VOTE
22 BEYOND THE MASK OF RACE. NOW IS THE TIME FOR YOU, OUR
23 SUPERVISORS, TO DEMONSTRATE YOUR TRUST IN US, THE VOTERS OF
24 L.A. COUNTY BY ADOPTING PLAN A-3 AS AMENDED.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP AUDREY
2 SIMONS AND MR. BRENNER? I UNDERSTAND MR. BRENNER IS HERE. AND
3 GORDON MURLEY. YES, MA'AM?

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5 **MARYLIN KRELL:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS MARYLIN
6 KRELL. I'M PRESIDENT OF THE SOUTH BRENTWOOD RESIDENTS
7 ASSOCIATION. AND WE REPRESENT APPROXIMATELY 3,000 HOMEOWNERS
8 AND RENTERS IN SOUTH BRENTWOOD. I'D JUST LIKE TO SAY BEFORE MY
9 COMMENTS, I KNOW IT'S GOING TO BE A LONG DAY. IT'S BEEN A LONG
10 DAY AND IT'S GETTING NOISIER AND NOISIER IN THIS ROOM. IT'S
11 HARD TO HEAR THE SPEAKERS WHEN PEOPLE ARE TALKING. I JUST
12 WANTED TO MENTION THAT THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT -- AND I KNOW
13 THIS HAS BEEN SAID BEFORE -- REQUIRES THAT WE PROTECT THE
14 VOTING RIGHTS OF MINORITIES. AND IT CAN BE ACCOMPLISHED
15 WITHOUT DISMEMBERING ESTABLISHED COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST. WHAT
16 I FIND INTERESTING IS THAT JUST ABOUT EVERYONE WHO HAS SPOKEN
17 HAS AGREED WITH THAT. WE WANT TO KEEP COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST
18 TOGETHER. AND I JUST WANT TO SAY PLEASE SUPPORT PLAN A-3
19 AMENDED. THANK YOU.

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21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP DR. JAN
22 HUNTER. YES, MA'AM.

23

24 **AUDREY SIMONS:** GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. THANK YOU FOR THE
25 OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK. MY NAME IS AUDREY SIMONS. I HAVE LIVED,



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1 WORKED IN HEALTHCARE AND VOLUNTEERED FOR MANY NONPROFIT
2 ORGANIZATIONS THROUGHOUT THE THIRD DISTRICT. I AM HERE IN
3 SUPPORT OF PLAN A-3 AS AMENDED BECAUSE IN HEALTHCARE,
4 RELATIONSHIPS MEAN THAT WE GET SOMETHING DONE. I CURRENTLY SIT
5 ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF VALLEY CARE COMMUNITY CONSORTIUM.
6 AND IN THAT POSITION, I ALSO CO-CHAIR THEIR ORAL HEALTH ACCESS
7 COMMITTEES AND THEIR CHRONIC DISEASE COMMITTEE. THE
8 RELATIONSHIPS THAT WE HAVE BUILT THROUGH THE HEALTH AND SOCIAL
9 SERVICE AGENCIES THAT WE REPRESENT ALLOWS US TO MAKE SURE THAT
10 THE MOST VULNERABLE POPULATIONS AMONG US ARE SERVED.
11 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY AND THE STAFF OF THE THIRD DISTRICT
12 OFFICE HAVE BEEN TERRIBLY SUPPORTIVE OF ALL OF OUR EFFORTS. WE
13 ALSO WORK WELL WITH ALL OF OUR ELECTED OFFICIALS IN THE AREA,
14 MANY OF WHOM ARE LATINO. WE RESPECTFULLY REQUEST THAT DISTRICT
15 3 BE LEFT AS IT IS. THANK YOU.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. IT'S JANET TURNER. JANET
18 TURNER I WAS GOING TO CALL. YES, SIR.

19

20 **GORDON MURLEY:** MY NAME IS GORDON MURLEY. I'M PRESIDENT OF THE
21 WOODLAND HILLS HOMEOWNERS' ORGANIZATION, SIT ON THE WARNER
22 CENTER- WOODLAND HILLS NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL. I WOULD LIKE TO
23 SAY I'M IN FAVOR OF A-3 AMENDED. THE REASON FOR THIS IS WHEN
24 YOU LOOK AT THE OTHER TWO MAPS, THEY'VE TOTALLY
25 DISENFRANCHISED JUST ALMOST EVERYBODY ELSE IN THE COUNTY. THEY



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1 HAVE NOT DRAWN THEM SO THAT THEY ARE CONCISE AND COMPACT. THEY
2 ARE SO STREWN OUT. THERE IS NO COMMON INTEREST THAT EXISTS
3 ANYWHERE. SITTING AND LISTENING TO THE RHETORIC THAT HAS COME
4 HERE TODAY REMINDS ME THE OLD SAGE OF STATISTICS DON'T LIE BUT
5 STATISTICIANS DO. WE'VE BEEN GIVEN A LOT OF INFORMATION
6 WITHOUT ANY FACT TO IT. WE'RE SUPPOSED TO BELIEVE IT BECAUSE
7 THEY SAID IT. YOU AS SUPERVISORS WITH THE CURRENT DISTRICTS
8 HAVE DONE AN EXCELLENT JOB. IN FACT, I COULD SWITCH YOU AROUND
9 IN THOSE DISTRICTS AND THEY WOULD STILL WORK BECAUSE THEY ARE
10 DESIGNED TO WORK FOR THE CONSTITUENTS AND NOT LEAVE YOU OUT
11 THERE TRYING TO FIGURE OUT WHICH SIDE OF THE STREET YOU ARE
12 REPRESENTING.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SIR. THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO
15 CALL UP ALEX HOLSHEIMER AND TERRI TIPPIT. MR. PACKARD, GOOD TO
16 SEE YOU AGAIN.

17

18 **RICHARD PACKARD:** THANK YOU, MIKE. IT'S GOOD TO SEE YOU. MY
19 NAME IS RICHARD PACKARD. I HAPPEN TO BE THE CHAIR OF THE
20 POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE OF THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY BRANCH
21 OF THE N.A.A.C.P. I'M ALSO HEADING UP A GROUP CALLED A --
22 GROUP, IT'S A BLACK THINK TANK IN THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY. I'M
23 HERE TO SUPPORT A-3 AS AMENDED. AND I'M OPPOSED TO T-1 AND S-2
24 PLANS. AND I WANT TO JUST CITE VERY BRIEFLY A DIFFERENT
25 CONCERN, A DIFFERENT TWIST IN THIS WHOLE DISCUSSION. T-1 AND



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1 S-2 PLANS ACTUALLY DIMINISH AND DILUTE THE VOTING RIGHTS ACTS
2 OF 1965 TO THE INITIAL BENEFACTORS OF THIS ACT. THE PROPOSED
3 INTRUSION THAT'S REPRESENTED BY T-1 AND S-2 WILL DIVIDE THE
4 AFRICAN MAJORITY VOTING BLOC IN THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY AMONG
5 THREE SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS AS OPPOSED TO ONLY TWO. THE
6 VOTING RIGHTS ACT, THE SPIRIT IN WHICH IT WAS PASSED WAS TO
7 PROTECT MINORITIES, NOT TO DIVIDE OR DIMINISH THEIR VOTING
8 RIGHTS ACT. SO I FEEL THAT T-1 AND S-2 WILL DO THAT. IT WILL
9 DIMINISH AND DILUTE THE AFRICAN-AMERICAN VOTE IN THE SAN
10 FERNANDO VALLEY IF PASSED. THANK YOU.

11
12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. MR. PACKARD. GOOD TO SEE
13 YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP DAVID ABEL AND JAN REICHMANN. YES.

14
15 **JANET TURNER:** HELLO, I'M JANET TURNER, THE CHAIR OF PACIFIC
16 PALISADES COMMUNITY COUNCIL AND I REPRESENT THE 27,000
17 RESIDENTS OF PACIFIC PALISADES. WE ARE HERE TO OPPOSE T-1 AND
18 S-2 AND BRING TO YOUR ATTENTION THE UNINTENDED CONSEQUENCES OF
19 THESE PLANS THAT WILL NOT ONLY HURT PACIFIC PALISADES BUT
20 MANY, MANY MINORITIES. THE CURRENT DISTRICT 3 HAS MANY SOCIAL
21 AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMS THAT WILL BE HURT BY THIS CHANGE.
22 IT COULD DESTROY OUR PROGRESS TOWARDS RAPID TRANSIT. PACIFIC
23 PALISADES NOW ONLY HAS ONE BUS THAT GOES FROM THE PALISADES TO
24 DOWNTOWN. WE NEED RAPID TRANSIT. IT COULD CLOSE SOME OF OUR
25 PARKS AND RECREATION AREAS. THESE ARE ALL UNITED RIGHT NOW AND



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1 THEN THEY WILL NOT BE. AND IT WOULD DISRUPT MANY SOCIAL
2 SERVICES, BOTH HEALTH, LEGAL AND OUR PIONEERING PROGRAM TO
3 FIGHT CHRONIC HOMELESSNESS. WE ASK YOU TO PLEASE VOTE FOR A-3
4 AMENDED. THANK YOU.

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6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET ME ALSO CALL UP ALINA MENDIZABAL.

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8 **ALEX HOLSHEIMER:** GOOD AFTERNOON HONORABLE MAYOR ANTONOVICH,
9 HONORABLE SUPERVISORS AND RESPECTED COLLEAGUES IN THE
10 AUDIENCE. MY NAME IS ALEX HOLSHEIMER AND I'M THE PROJECT
11 MANAGER OF THE THAI COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CENTER. I'M HERE
12 TODAY TO VOICE MY SUPPORT FOR THE A-3 AMENDED REDISTRICTING
13 PLAN THAT LARGELY PRESERVES THE POLITICAL COHESION OF THE
14 ASIAN PACIFIC ISLANDER COMMUNITY. THE MAJORITY OF THE THAI
15 COMMUNITY WHICH IS LOCATED IN EAST HOLLYWOOD, NORTH HOLLYWOOD
16 AND OTHER PARTS OF L.A., ARE WITHIN THE THIRD SUPERVISORIAL
17 DISTRICT OF ZEV YAROSLAVSKY. WE HAVE ENJOYED EXCELLENT
18 COMMUNICATION AND REPRESENTATION FROM SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY
19 OVER THE YEARS. THE A.P.I. COMMUNITY IS EMPOWERED WHEN
20 REPRESENTED BY A SINGLE SUPERVISOR RATHER THAN BIFURCATED AND
21 SPLIT AMONG SEVERAL DISTRICTS. WE ARE COMPLETELY SYMPATHETIC
22 WITH THE DESIRE TO CREATE AN ADDITIONAL VOTING RIGHTS
23 DISTRICT, BUT NOT TO THE DETRIMENT AND FURTHER POLITICAL
24 DISSOLUTION OF THE ASIAN PACIFIC ISLANDER COMMUNITIES. WE ARE
25 NOT TRYING TO PIT ONE COMMUNITY AGAINST ANOTHER, BUT INSTEAD



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1 TRYING TO SUPPORT THE PLAN THAT BEST ADDRESSES THE HUMAN AND
2 SOCIAL NEEDS OF THE A.P.I. COMMUNITY. AT THIS TIME, WE'VE ONLY
3 SEEN THE A-3 AMENDED PLAN EFFECTIVELY AND EQUITABLY ADDRESS
4 THE NEEDS OF THE THAI.

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6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP UP
7 ROSIE DAGIT. YES, SIR.

8

9 **DAVID ABEL:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MAYOR AND BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY
10 NAME IS DAVID ABEL, I'M A THIRD DISTRICT RESIDENT. I'VE BEEN
11 THE CHAIR OF A NUMBER OF NEIGHBORHOOD COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS
12 AND ENVIRONMENTAL GROUPS. AND I'VE BEEN A ROBERT KENNEDY
13 FELLOW AT THE BEGINNING OF MY POLITICAL LIFE IN SOUTH CAROLINA
14 ENFORCING THE CIVIL RIGHTS ACT. I COME IN SUPPORT OF A-3 AS
15 AMENDED AND IN OPPOSITION TO T-1 BECAUSE I THINK THE PROBLEM
16 TODAY IS, ALTHOUGH ETERNAL VIGILANCE IS THE PRICE OF LIBERTY,
17 THE PROBLEM TODAY IS APATHY. AND MOVING 3-1/2 MILLION PEOPLE
18 INTO DISTRICTS THAT THEY'VE NEVER HAD REPRESENTATION FROM IN
19 TERMS OF ELECTEDS IS ONLY GOING TO ENCOURAGE THAT AND UNDERCUT
20 ALL THE EFFORTS OVER THE LAST DECADES BUILT ON THE PROGRESS
21 WE'VE MADE ON NEIGHBORHOOD EMPOWERMENT AND COMMUNITY
22 EMPOWERMENT. SO I COME IN SUPPORT OF A-3 AND IN OPPOSITION TO
23 T-1. THANK YOU.

24

25 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, DAVID. YES, MA'AM.



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JAN REICHMANN: MY NAME IS JAN REICHMANN. I HAVE LIVED IN THE
THIRD DISTRICT FOR OVER 40 YEARS AND I'M EXTREMELY FORTUNATE
TO BE REPRESENTED BY SUPERVISOR ZEV YAROSLAVSKY. NOT ONLY IS
HIS STAFF A PERFECT EXAMPLE OF ETHNIC DIVERSITY, BUT HE IS
THERE TO REPRESENT ALL OF HIS CONSTITUENTS EQUALLY. DIVIDING
THIS DISTRICT WOULD TEAR APART WHAT HAS BEEN BUILT AND
NURTURED FOR DECADES. PLANS S-2 AND T-1 ARE NOTHING MORE THAN
BLATANT GERRYMANDERING TO POLARIZE INFLUENCE WHERE NONE IS
NEEDED. VOTERS OF ALL BACKGROUNDS HAVE CONTINUED TO VOTE FOR
LATINO CANDIDATES, OUR MAYOR, OUR SHERIFF, OUR ASSESSOR, PROOF
THAT A NEW POLITICAL ARENA BASED ON RACE IS NOT NEEDED AND
ABUSES THE ARGUMENTS OF THE FEDERAL VOTING RIGHTS ACT. I URGE
YOU TO SUPPORT PLAN A-3 AMENDED.

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SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP SUSAN
KAPLAN. SUSAN KAPLAN? YES, MA'AM.

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ROSIE DAGIT: GOOD MORNING, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS ROSIE
DAGIT. I'M THE SENIOR CONSERVATION BIOLOGIST FOR THE RESOURCE
CONSERVATION DISTRICT OF THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS. ALL OF US
LIVE IN A WATERSHED. THE WATERSHEDS PROVIDE THE ON-THE-GROUND
ENVIRONMENT THAT CONNECTS US AND SHAPES OUR COMMUNITIES. THE
CURRENT DISTRICT BOUNDARIES AS REPRESENTED BY THE A-3 AMENDED
MAP PROVIDES CONNECTIVITIES NOT ONLY OF OUR COMMUNITIES BUT OF



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1 OUR WATERSHEDS. AND IT HAS PROVIDED A SUCCESSFUL WAY OF
2 LOOKING AT AND EXECUTING PROJECTS IN COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST
3 THROUGHOUT THE ENTIRE COUNTY. THE PROPOSED CHANGES REPRESENTED
4 BY MAPS T-1 AND S-2 FRAGMENT THESE WATER SHEDS AND WOULD
5 DILUTE OUR ABILITY TO SUCCESSFULLY DO SUCH THINGS. POLITICAL
6 BOUNDARIES ARE ARBITRARY CONSTRUCTS, BUT WATERSHED BOUNDARIES
7 ARE VERY REAL. PEOPLE MOVE, BUT THE LAND REMAINS THE SAME. SO
8 WE ENCOURAGE THE BOARD TO RECOGNIZE AND BUILD UPON THE
9 EXTRAORDINARY BIODIVERSITY, AND ENVIRONMENTAL UNDERPINNINGS
10 THAT OUR WATERSHEDS PROVIDE AND ALLOW OUR COMMUNITIES TO
11 CONTINUE TO REFLECT THAT.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. IS NANCY FREEDMAN HERE?
14 NANCY FREEDMAN? IS TERRI TIPPIT HERE? TERRI TIPPIT? OKAY. YES,
15 YOU'RE ON.

16

17 **ALINA MENDIZABAL:** HI, MY NAME IS ALINA MENDIZABAL. I WAS TOLD
18 THAT MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS IS LOOKING VIA VIDEO. I'M SORRY HE
19 COULDN'T BE HERE BECAUSE I KNOW THAT EVERY ONE OF YOU, THE
20 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TODAY IS PROBABLY GOING TO DECIDE ON
21 TODAY. I'M HERE TO OPPOSE T-1 AND S-2. I AM AN ACTUAL LATINA
22 THAT LIVES IN THE DISTRICT, NORTHEAST SAN FERNANDO VALLEY THAT
23 WE HAVE LOTS OF LATINOS THAT ARE REPRESENTING US THAT ARE
24 WORKING WITH ZEV. I MEAN, YOU KNOW, THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR
25 BEING HERE BECAUSE I KNOW THAT IT'S VERY IMPORTANT. I AM



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1 ACTUALLY A UNION LEADER AS WELL IN MY COMMUNITY. SO, HEY, NO
2 WAY GO AWAY. I'M FOR A-3. I'M REALLY HAPPY YOU'RE HERE. THE
3 THING IS I'M A LATINA. WE HAVE LATINA REPRESENTATION.
4 GERRYMANDERING SHOULDN'T BE HAPPENING IN HERE. WE ARE VERY
5 INTELLIGENT, DO NOT INSULT OUR INTELLIGENCE SAYING THAT WE
6 LATINOS IN THE NORTHEAST SAN FERNANDO VALLEY CANNOT MAKE OUR
7 DECISION ON WHO COULD VOTE FOR US. HE SEES BLUE AND YELLOW,
8 NOT COLOR. HE'S A U.C.L.A. PERSON. WE'RE ALL HERE ABOUT BEING
9 HERE. I'M HAPPY YOU'RE HERE. THANK YOU FOR BEING HERE. I
10 VOTED. I WENT DOOR-TO-DOOR FOR YOU. BUT WHAT I'M SAYING TO YOU
11 IS LEAVE US ALONE WE'RE DOING GREAT IN THE NORTHEAST SAN
12 FERNANDO VALLEY.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

15

16 **SUSAN KAPLAN:** MY NAME IS SUSAN KAPLAN. I'M SPEAKING BOTH AS A
17 30-YEAR RESIDENT OF SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 3 AND ALSO AS A
18 REPRESENTATIVE OF 2,000 LATINO, ARMENIAN, AFRICAN-AMERICAN,
19 ASIAN, WHITE AND ETHNICALLY MIXED FAMILIES WHO ARE MEMBERS OF
20 THE SD-3 FAMILY RESOURCE FAMILY, FRIENDS OF THE FAMILY, OF
21 WHICH I'M THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR. WE ARE UNEQUIVOCALLY OPPOSED
22 TO PLANS T-1 AND S-2. WE ARE COMMITTED TO ENSURING
23 REPRESENTATIVE GOVERNMENT AND TO ENSURING THAT PROTECTED
24 GROUPS ARE NOT DISENFRANCHISED. BUT WE ARE EQUALLY DEDICATED
25 TO SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS THAT MAKE GEOGRAPHIC SENSE AND



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1 PROTECT COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST ACROSS ETHNIC GROUPS. TO MAKE
2 SENSE, DISTRICTS MUST BE CONTIGUOUS AND COMPACT. T-1 AND S-2
3 SUGGEST BOUNDARIES THAT ARE BARELY CONTINUOUS AND FAR FROM
4 COMPACT. IT IS COUNTER TO THE BEST INTERESTS OF ALL OF THE THE
5 RESIDENTS OF SD-3 AND SD-4 FOR THAT MATTER TO SPLIT US UP
6 SCATTERED OVER THREE OR FOUR DISTRICTS WHICH ARE DRAWN IN A
7 WAY THAT MEANDERS ALL THROUGH THE COUNTY. GEOGRAPHY,
8 NEIGHBORHOODS AND COMMUNITIES MATTER.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. OKAY. NOW WE'RE GOING TO
11 CALL UP ANN RUTH. ROBERT THOMB. MICHAEL LEYBA AND JAMES TUNG.
12 YOU. JAMES TUNG? OKAY. MICHAEL LEYBA? ANN RUTH? ROBERT THOMB?
13 COULD WE GET A MICROPHONE FOR THE FRONT? SUPERVISOR KNABE WILL
14 PRESIDE FOR ONE MINUTE.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE:** ANNIE, DO YOU WANT TO GO AHEAD?

17

18 **ANN RUTH:** HELLO, I'M ANN RUTH. AND I AM IN SUPPORT OF PLAN A-
19 3. I'M A PERSON WITH DISABILITY AND KNOW THAT THESE SERVICES
20 HAVE BEEN COORDINATED LONG IN THE SOUTH BAY AREA AND DOWNEY
21 VERY WELL THROUGH THE RANCHO LOS AMIGOS HOSPITAL. AND IT ALSO
22 SUPPORTS DON KNABE IN HIS SERVICES AND HE'S DONE EXTREMELY
23 INCREDIBLE WORK THERE AND FOR PEOPLE IN THE SOUTH BAY, AS
24 WELL. HE'S AN INCREDIBLE PERSON AND SERVES MANY PEOPLE WITH



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1 DISABILITIES AND DIVERSITIES IN ALL AREAS. SO WE STRONGLY
2 SUPPORT PLAN A-3. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, ANNIE. ROBERT? JAMES, DO YOU WANT TO GO
5 AHEAD? WHILE ANNIE AND ROBERT SWITCH THERE. GO AHEAD.

6

7 **CHARLES LUE [INTERPRETER]:** MY NAME IS CHARLES LUE. [SPEAKS
8 CHINESE] I AM A CHINESE-AMERICAN CITIZEN. ROWLAND HEIGHTS
9 RESIDENT FOR 27 YEARS. I'M HERE TO SUPPORT A-3 PLAN. I'M THE
10 OLDEST PERSON IN THE ROWLAND HEIGHTS ASIAN-AMERICAN SENIOR
11 ASSOCIATION, SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF ROWLAND HEIGHTS ASIAN
12 SENIORS. THE SPIRIT OF DEMOCRACY IS TO ELECT ABLE AND CAPABLE
13 PERSONS TO TAKE CARE OF THEIR CONSTITUENTS. NOT FOR SPECIFIC -
14 - OR COLOR. THAT'S WHY WE ELECTED OBAMA FOR OUR PRESIDENT
15 BECAUSE HE CAN TAKE CARE OF US. THEREFORE I URGE YOU TO VOTE
16 A-3 PLAN. THANK YOU.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SIR. SHOW YOUR
19 HANDS, PLEASE. YES, SIR.

20

21 **ROBERT THOMB:** MY NAME IS ROBERT THOMB. I'M A RESIDENT OF
22 WHITTIER. I AM A LATINO. I'M A MEMBER OF THE LARGEST MINORITY
23 ON THE PLANET, THE MINORITY OF DISABLED PEOPLE. THIS MINORITY
24 IS ALL INCLUSIVE, ALL ENCOMPASSING. IT TAKES EVERY ONE AND
25 EVERYBODY. WE ARE BLACK, WE ARE WHITE, WE ARE BROWN, WE ARE



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1 RED WE ARE YELLOW, WE ARE BUDDHISTS. WE ARE MUSLIMS, WE ARE
2 CHRISTIANS. WE ARE ATHEISTS. WE ARE AGNOSTICS. WE ARE
3 EVERYONE. AND THE ONLY ONE THAT I CAN SAY WITH FULL CONVICTION
4 WHO IS IN SUPPORT OF THE NEEDS OF THE DISABLED COMMUNITY IS
5 DON KNABE. I KNOW HE'S A REPUBLICAN. I TRY NOT TO HOLD THAT
6 AGAINST HIM. [LAUGHTER.] BUT I'VE SEEN HIM IN ACTION. AND I
7 KNOW WHEN THERE'S A NEED TO BE ADDRESSED HE IS ON TOP OF IT
8 UNTIL THERE'S A SOLUTION.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU SIR, THANK YOU VERY MUCH.
11 THANK YOU FOR COMING DOWN AGAIN VERY MUCH. LET ME ALSO CALL UP
12 MARIKO KAHN, HERB HATANAKA, TERRY MALKIN. YES, SIR.

13

14 **MICHAEL LEYBA:** HELLO, MY NAME IS MICHAEL LEYBA, I'M A 23-YEAR-
15 OLD COLLEGE DEMOCRAT HERE SPEAKING IN FAVOR OF A-3 DISTRICT
16 MAP FOR TWO MAIN REASONS. FIRST, I STUDIED THE CHICANO RIGHTS
17 MOVEMENT. I IDENTIFY MYSELF AS LATINO AND A SUPPORTER OF MANY
18 LATINO CAUSES. NEVERTHELESS FOR ANYONE TO TELL ME THAT I HAVE
19 TO BE DRAWN INTO A LATINO DISTRICT JUST SO I CAN VOTE FOR A
20 CANDIDATE THAT IS THE SAME RACE AS I IS INSULTING TO PEOPLE
21 THAT ARE LATINO. [APPLAUSE.] IT IMPLIES THAT WE ARE INCAPABLE
22 OF ELECTING SOMEONE TO REPRESENT OUR OWN INTERESTS. SECONDLY,
23 I BELIEVE THAT NONE OF THESE MAPS ARE IN VIOLATION OF THE
24 VOTING RIGHTS ACT. IN -- 1986, THE MAJORITY AND MINORITY RACES
25 AND THE IMPERIAL GATEWAY COMMUNITIES ARE VERY MUCH INTEGRATED



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1 AND DO NOT TEND TO VOTE IN RACIAL BLOCS. WE VOTE BASED SOLELY
2 WHAT IS BEST FOR OUR COMMUNITIES. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET ME CALL UP SENATOR PADILLA?

5

6 **HERB HATANAKA:** I'M HERB HATANAKA, BOARD MEMBER OF ASIAN
7 PACIFIC POLICY AND PLANNING COUNCIL. WE ARE HERE TODAY, A.P.I.
8 COMMUNITIES, TO SUPPORT THE A-3 AMENDED PLAN BECAUSE IT
9 MAINTAINS OUR COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST, OUR HISTORICAL
10 COMMUNITIES AS WELL AS MAINTAINS THE ACCESS THAT WE'VE HAD TO
11 EACH OF YOU ON THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. I WANT TO
12 PARTICULARLY ACKNOWLEDGE FOR THE RECORD THAT SUPERVISOR
13 RIDLEY-THOMAS AND SUPERVISOR MOLINA, WE HAVE ALWAYS
14 APPRECIATED AND ACKNOWLEDGE THE SUPPORT THAT YOU'VE GIVEN
15 A.P.I. COMMUNITIES. YOU'VE MET WITH US DIRECTLY. YOUR STAFF
16 HAVE BEEN ACCESSIBLE TO US. YOU FUNDED AGENCIES TO SERVE
17 A.P.I. COMMUNITIES. AND AS A RESULT HAD A GREAT IMPACT ON THE
18 COMMUNITIES IN YOUR DISTRICT. WE URGE YOU TO SUPPORT THE A-3
19 AMENDED PLAN.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SIR. YES, MA'AM.

22

23 **MARIKO KAHN:** MY NAME IS MARIKO KAHN, AND I'M THE PRESIDENT OF
24 A-3PCON. AS WE HAVE TESTIFIED BEFORE WE ARE IN SUPPORT OF THE
25 A-3 PLAN BECAUSE IT DISRUPTS THE LEAST NUMBER OF RESIDENTS,



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1 MAINTAINS A.P.I. COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST AND MAINTAINS
2 DISTRICTS WITH A DISTRIBUTION OF VOICES OF ALL ETHNICITIES. WE
3 ALSO WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE LONGTIME SUPPORT OF ALL OF THE
4 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR THE A.P.I. COMMUNITIES AND
5 ORGANIZATIONS. FOR EXAMPLE, BOTH SUPERVISORS MARK RIDLEY-
6 THOMAS AND GLORIA MOLINA HAVE MET WITH A-3PCON, THEIR STAFFS
7 HAVE WORKED WITH OUR MEMBER ORGANIZATIONS. A-3PCON WILL
8 CONTINUE TO WORK WITH EACH OF THE SUPERVISORS TO FIND
9 SOLUTIONS FOR THE NEEDS OF A.P.I.S. AND WE FEEL THIS CAN BEST
10 BE ACCOMPLISHED UNDER A-3. THANK YOU.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, MA'AM. LET ME ALSO CALL UP
13 JOHN HSU. JOHN HSU. YES, SIR.

14

15 **JOHN HSU:** GOOD AFTERNOON. I'M JOHN HSU AND TERI MALKIN IS BY
16 MY SIDE. WE'RE HERE TO SUPPORT A-3, OPPOSE T-1 AND S-2. WE'RE
17 BOTH FROM ROWLAND HEIGHTS. TERI AND HER HUSBAND DAVID AND I
18 ARE INVOLVED IN MANY COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES. EVEN A CURSORY
19 GLANCE OF SURNAMES ON THE ATTACHED ROSTER WOULD SHOW THAT OUR
20 COMMUNITY OF ROWLAND HEIGHTS IS WELL REPRESENTED BY A DIVERSE
21 GROUP OF LEADERS AND PARTICIPANTS. OUR FRIENDSHIP RACIAL
22 BOUNDARIES, WE WORK TOGETHER FOR THE COMMON GOOD OF OUR
23 COMMUNITY AND NOT JUST IN ROWLAND HEIGHTS BUT WITH OUR
24 NEIGHBORS, AS WELL. WE HAVE LONG ESTABLISHED RELATIONSHIPS
25 WITH OUR GOVERNMENT. UNDER BOTH ALTERNATIVE PLANS S-2 AND T-1,



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1 MILLIONS OF PEOPLE WILL BE NEEDLESSLY MOVED, DESTROYING THE
2 CONNECTIONS AND RELATIONSHIPS WE HAVE BUILD IN DECADES. WE
3 BELIEVE INTEGRATION BUT NOT SEGREGATION.

4

5 **TERI MALKIN:** NUMBERS DON'T LIE. BOTH S-2 AND T-1 HAVE HIGHER
6 POPULATION DEVIATION RATES THAN A-3, WHICH MAKES A-3 THE PLAN
7 MOST COMPLIANT WITH THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT, CONTRARY TO WHAT S-
8 2 AND T-1 PROPONENTS CLAIM. PLACING OUR COMMUNITY, WHICH OF
9 ROWLAND HEIGHTS, WHICH IS 60 PERCENT ASIAN PACIFIC AMERICAN
10 AND 27 PERCENT HISPANIC IN A DISTINCT THAT IS OVER 60 PERCENT
11 HISPANIC AND LESS THAN 16 PERCENT A.P.I. AS PLANS S-2 AND T-1
12 DO SETS UP ARTIFICIAL RACE-BASED BARRIERS THAT DILUTE AND
13 UNDER REPRESENT THE A.P.I. MAJORITY IN ROWLAND HEIGHTS. THESE
14 PLANS MOVE US IN THE WRONG DIRECTION AND DO NOT REPRESENT OUR
15 DIVERSE COMMUNITY AND ITS VALUES. THEY JEOPARDIZE OUR STATUS
16 AS THE BEST PLACE TO RAISE KIDS IN CALIFORNIA 2011 BY BUSINESS
17 WEEK AND SET UP POSSIBLE COURT ACTION FOR VOTING RIGHTS
18 VIOLATIONS OF ASIAN PACIFIC ISLANDERS. THAT'S WHY A-TRES IS LA
19 UNICA OPCION PARA ROWLAND HEIGHTS.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. LET ME ALSO CALL
22 UP LYNNE EBENKAMP, CHRIS SANCHEZ, AND PASIN CHANOU. SENATOR?

23

24 **SEN. ALEX PADILLA:** MR. MAYOR, BOARD MEMBERS. THANK YOU FOR THE
25 OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK. YOU CERTAINLY HAVE A TREMENDOUS TASK



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1 BEFORE YOU. AS MANY WHO HAVE TESTIFIED BEFORE ME HAVE
2 ARTICULATED, I'D LIKE TO EMPHASIZE THE CENSUS TRENDS FROM
3 AROUND THE COUNTRY WE'RE CERTAINLY SEEING IN CALIFORNIA AND
4 NOWHERE MORE SO THAN RIGHT HERE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. THE
5 BIGGEST CONTRIBUTING DYNAMIC TO THE POPULATION GROWTH HAS BEEN
6 THE GROWTH OF THE LATINO COMMUNITY. 450,000 NEW LATINOS IS
7 PART OF THE GROWTH OF THE COUNTY, MAKING UP 65 PERCENT OF THE
8 COUNTY'S GROWTH OVER THE LAST DECADE, PUTTING THE LATINO
9 COMMUNITY NOW AS A REPRESENTATIVE OF MORE THAN A THIRD OF THE
10 CITIZEN VOTING AGE POPULATION AND MORE THAN HALF OF THE
11 POPULATION OVERALL. THE TASK OF REDISTRICTING IS TO NOT JUST
12 BALANCE THE POPULATIONS DISTRICT BY DISTRICT WITHIN THOSE
13 STANDARD DEVIATIONS BUT TO DO SO RECOGNIZING VOTING RIGHTS ACT
14 AND SUFFICIENT CASE LAW THAT HAS HAPPENED SINCE THE INITIAL
15 PASSAGE OF THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT. AND YOU HAVE TO RECOGNIZE
16 AND REFLECT THE CENSUS NUMBERS AND THOSE TRENDS. WHAT I AND
17 MANY OTHERS ARE ASKING FOR IS NOT JUST A SECOND --

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU SENATOR, YOUR TIME IS UP.

20

21 **SEN. ALEX PADILLA:** BUT WITH LATINO COMMUNITY CAN ELECT A
22 CANDIDATE OF THEIR CHOICE. YOU HAVE THAT OPTION BEFORE YOU.
23 THANK YOU.

24

25 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. YES, MA'AM.



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2 **SPEAKER:** HONORABLE SUPERVISORS. GOOD AFTERNOON. I HOPE THAT
3 YOU HAVE ALL READ THE PLANS THOROUGHLY WITH OPEN MINDS. IT IS
4 SAID THAT THE A-3 PLAN IS NOT ACCEPTABLE BECAUSE THE HISPANIC
5 POPULATION NEEDS TO BE REPRESENTED BY A MAJORITY OF VOTERS IN
6 TWO DISTRICTS. LOOK CLOSELY AND YOU WILL SEE IN THE A-3 PLAN,
7 HISPANICS ARE THE GREATEST NUMBER OF VOTING AGE RESIDENTS NOT
8 IN TWO BUT THREE OF THE FIVE DISTRICTS. YES, IN A-3'S PLAN,
9 EACH OF THE FIRST, SECOND AND FOURTH DISTRICTS, THE HISPANIC
10 GROUP DOMINATES. THE S-2 AND T-1 PLANS ARE UNREASONABLE
11 BECAUSE THEY FORM HISPANIC SUPER MAJORITY DISTRICTS. AND THIS
12 IS GERRYMANDERING IN THE WORST POSSIBLE WAY. THESE TWO PLANS
13 MAKE SURE THAT NO GROUP OTHER THAN LATINO HAS A CHANCE FOR
14 CANDIDATES TO BE ELECTED. YOU OWE IT TO RESIDENTS OF THE
15 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES TO COME TO A 4-1 MAJORITY VOTE TODAY.
16 THE A-3 PLAN MEETS THE CRITERIA THAT DISTRICT 1 AND 2
17 SUPERVISORS SEEK, SO IT SHOULD BE AMENABLE TO ALL SUPERVISORS.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP SHIRLEY
20 LEE AND LUZ PEREZ. YES, MA'AM.

21

22 **CHRIS SANCHEZ:** MY NAME IS CHRIS SANCHEZ, A RESIDENT OF
23 HACIENDA HEIGHTS FOR 40 YEARS. WE ALL AGREE THAT SUPERVISOR
24 KNABE AND HIS STAFF HAVE DONE AN EXCELLENT JOB FOR THE FOURTH
25 DISTRICT. THIS VOTE IS TO SECURE THE A-3 REDISTRICTING PLAN.



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1 IT IS ALSO A VOTE AGAINST THE GERRYMANDERING OF A DISTRICT TO
2 A PREDOMINANTLY HISPANIC VOTING BLOC. THIS IS AMERICA, WHERE
3 EVERYONE HAS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY TO RUN FOR OFFICE IF
4 QUALIFIED REGARDLESS OF ETHNICITY. AS AN AMERICAN WITH A PROUD
5 HISPANIC LAST NAME, I ABHOR AND RESENT BEING CLASSIFIED AS
6 HISPANIC WHEN MY PRECIOUS VOTE IS BEING COURTED BY
7 POLITICIANS, EXPECTING ME TO VOTE FOR THEM FOR NO OTHER REASON
8 BUT THAT I SHOULD VOTE FOR ONE OF MY OWN. I PROTECT MY VOTE SO
9 CAREFULLY THAT I WILL NOT EVEN VOTE BY MAIL, A PROCESS WHICH
10 HAS BEEN CORRUPTED. MISS MOLINA'S HISPANIC BLOC PLAN IS ALSO A
11 CORRUPTION OF THE VOTING PROCESS. I VOTE FOR MY CANDIDATE OF
12 CHOICE EVERY TIME I VOTE. IF YOU ADOPT MISS MOLINA'S PLAN, YOU
13 WILL TAKE AWAY MY RIGHT TO VOTE FOR MY CANDIDATE OF CHOICE.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. LET ME ALSO CALL
16 UP JEFF FARBER? AND PAULO VELASQUEZ. YES, MA'AM. OR YES, SIR.

17

18 **PASIN CHANOU:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS PASIN CHANOU. I AM
19 THE CHAIRMAN OF CAMBODIA TOWN, INC., A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION
20 WITH A MISSION TO PRESERVE CAMBODIAN CULTURE AND IMPROVE THE
21 SOCIOECONOMIC WELL-BEING OF BUSINESS OWNERS AND RESIDENTS IN
22 LONG BEACH. WE SUPPORT PLAN A-3 BECAUSE IT PRESERVES OUR
23 COMMUNITIES AND OUR STRONG RELATIONSHIP WITH ALL THE A.P.I.
24 ORGANIZATIONS. WE OPPOSE PLAN S-2 AND T-1 BECAUSE THEY WILL
25 SPLIT OUR COMMUNITIES, DISRUPT OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH ALL THE



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1 A.P.I. ORGANIZATIONS AND WEAKEN OUR COLLECTIVE VOICE. WITH THE
2 HELP OF ESTABLISHED A.P.I. ORGANIZATIONS WE ARE STARTING TO
3 MAKE CONCRETE PROGRESS IN IMPROVING OUR LIVES SO ANY
4 DISRUPTIONS WILL CAUSE MAJOR SETBACKS. PLEASE DO NOT TEAR
5 APART OUR COMMUNITIES, ORDER PLAN A-3. THANK YOU.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SIR. ALSO CALL UP PAUL
8 VALEZ. PAUL VALEZ. YES, MA'AM.

9

10 **PAUL VALEZ SALAZAR:** MY NAME IS PAUL VALEZ SALAZAR. I'M A
11 RESIDENT OF LONG BEACH AND I SUPPORT A-3 AMENDMENT. I'M ALSO A
12 VETERAN OF THE UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS AND ARMY WHO SERVED
13 BOTH IN IRAQ AND AFGHANISTAN AS AN INFANTRY MAN. I SPOKE TO
14 THE BOARD BEFORE ON THIS ISSUE AND WAS NOT PLANNING TO SPEAK
15 AGAIN UNTIL THIS MORNING. AS I WAS IN LINE WITH MY GROUP,
16 WHILE I WAITED I WAS VERBALLY ASSAULTED BY PROPONENTS OF THE
17 T-1 AND S-2 PLANS WHO CALLED ME BASICALLY RACIST, A TRAITOR TO
18 MY OWN RACE. AND THEN ALSO I SAW SHERIFFS, OUR GREAT SHERIFFS
19 THAT WE HAVE HERE, CALLED FASCISTS. THAT TO ME, THIS IS THE
20 MOST REPREHENSIBLE KIND OF RACISM I'VE EVER SEEN. AND I'M
21 ORIGINALLY FROM TEXAS, SO THIS IS PRETTY BAD. [LAUGHTER.] I DO
22 NOT BELIEVE THAT RACE SHOULD BE A SOLE CRITERIA FOR ELECTING A
23 QUALIFIED PUBLIC SERVANT. I BELIEVE THAT THE CHARACTER,
24 SKILLS, COMMITMENT AND RELATIONSHIP MATTER MORE THAN RACE.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU SIR. USE YOUR HAND NOT YOUR
2 MOUTH. USE THE HANDS IN THE AIR NOT APPLAUDING. OKAY. GRACE
3 YOO AND RICHARD HERNANDEZ. YES, MA'AM.

4

5 **LUZ PEREZ:** I'M HERE TO SUPPORT A-3. MY NAME IS LUZ PEREZ. AND
6 I'M A DOWNEY RESIDENT AND THE COORDINATOR OF DOWNY UNIFIED
7 SCHOOL DISTRICT'S T.L.C. FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER, A NONPROFIT
8 THAT OFFERS A VARIETY OF HUMAN SERVICES TO UNDERPRIVILEGED
9 CHILDREN. I'M SIMPLY HERE, I'M A SOCIAL WORKER. I'M NOT REALLY
10 INTO THIS. BUT I'M JUST SIMPLY HERE TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE SUPPORT
11 OUR SUPERVISOR'S OFFICE, DON KNABE'S OFFICE HAS PROVIDED TO
12 THE T.L.C. CENTER WHICH ADDRESSES THE MANY ISSUES OUR NEEDIEST
13 STUDENTS IN THE CITY OF DOWNEY FACE. THANK YOU.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, MA'AM. MR. FARBER.

16

17 **JEFF FARBER:** GOOD AFTERNOON HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE
18 BOARD. MY NAME IS JEFF FARBER, I'M THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF
19 HELPLINE YOUTH COUNSELING. WE SERVE NEARLY 5000 YOUTH AND
20 PARENTS IN DISTRICTS 4 AND 1. I'M HERE IN SUPPORT OF PLAN A-3
21 AMENDED. THE RESIDENTS WE SERVE WANT REPRESENTATIVE LEADERSHIP
22 AND THAT IS WHAT WE RECEIVE FROM A-3 AMENDED. RELATIONSHIPS
23 ARE BUILT ON TRUST, TIME, FAITH AND EXPERIENCE. WE HAVE THAT
24 FROM SUPERVISOR KNABE AND HIS STAFF. I BELIEVE I URGE YOU TO
25 SUPPORT PLAN A-3 AMENDED AND KEEP OUR COMMUNITIES UNIFIED AND



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1 NOT FORCE OVER 3 MILLION PEOPLE TO MOVE THEIR DISTRICT
2 REPRESENTATION AND HAVE TO SPEND MILLIONS OF DOLLARS AND YEARS
3 TO BUILD NEW RELATIONSHIPS WITH THOSE ELECTED OFFICIALS.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP DOLORES
6 NASON. YES, MA'AM.

7

8 **GRACE YOO:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS GRACE YOO,
9 AND I'M THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AT THE KOREAN-AMERICAN
10 COALITION, WHICH ADVOCATES ON BEHALF OF THE COMMUNITY FOR
11 CIVIC AND CIVIL RIGHTS INTERESTS OF THE KOREAN COMMUNITY.
12 K.C.'S OFFICE IS LOCATED IN KOREA TOWN, WHICH IS SERVICED BY
13 BOTH SUPERVISORS MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS AND ZEV YAROSLAVSKY. WE
14 ARE PLEASED TO SAY THAT WE HAVE A GREAT RELATIONSHIP WITH BOTH
15 OFFICES AND WE THANK YOU. WE ALSO WANT TO REMIND YOU THAT THE
16 ANNUAL LEGISLATIVE LUNCHEON IS NOVEMBER 17 AND WE LOOK FORWARD
17 TO SEEING YOU ALL THEN. K.C. WOULD APPRECIATE HAVING KOREA
18 TOWN KEPT INTACT IN ONE DISTRICT. AND WE ARE HERE TO SUPPORT
19 A-3 FOR TWO BASIC REASONS: ONE, IT KEEPS OUR SISTER A.A.P.I.
20 COMMUNITIES TOGETHER. AND THE A-3 PLAN REALLY ONLY DIVIDES
21 FOUR COMMUNITIES, UNLIKE S-2 AND T-1, WHICH DIVIDE MORE THAN
22 30 COMMUNITIES. AND THE LESS PEOPLE THAT ARE MOVED, THE
23 BETTER. AND THEREFORE, A-3, AS IT MOVES THE LEAST AMOUNT OF
24 PEOPLE, IS THE BETTER SOLUTION, AND WITH ONLY A QUARTER
25 MILLION --



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THANK YOU.

3 PATRICE WONG. YES, SIR.

4

5 **RICHARD HERNANDEZ:** HELLO, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS RICHARD
6 HERNANDEZ. AND I'M FROM THE FOURTH DISTRICT, THE LONG BEACH
7 AREA. AND I'M HERE TO SUPPORT 3 AND OPPOSE THE 1 AND 2. WE
8 BASICALLY WORK WITH THE DISABLED COMMUNITY AND SENIORS. AND WE
9 HAVE A GOOD WORKING RELATIONSHIP WITH OUR SUPERVISOR KNABE. IT
10 TOOK A LONG TIME FOR US TO EDUCATE HIM. AND HE TOOK A LONG
11 TIME FOR HIM TO EDUCATE US. AND THAT'S BEEN WORKING FOR YEARS
12 AND IT WILL CONTINUE TO WORK. I MEAN, IT HAS BEEN WORKING SO
13 FAR UP TILL NOW. WE HOPE THAT IF YOU MUST REDISTRICIT THE AREA,
14 WE HOPE THAT YOU DO THE LEAST POSSIBLE RESISTANCE SO THAT
15 THERE WON'T BE A GREAT IMPACT ON THE COMMUNITY. THE DISABLED
16 COMMUNITY WILL BE HURT IF THERE'S A BIG CHANGE AND THEY ARE
17 LEFT IN THE DARK. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WAS HE A GOOD STUDENT?

20

21 **RICHARD HERNANDEZ:** VERY GOOD.

22

23 **DOLORES NASON:** I'M DOLORES NASON, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF
24 DISABLED RESOURCE CENTER IN LONG BEACH. AND I WOULD LIKE TO
25 RESPECTFULLY TELL YOU WHY I SUPPORT PLAN A-3. I AM A PERSON



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1 WITH A DISABILITY. AND I AM PART OF A COMMUNITY OF INTEREST. I
2 AM CONCERNED BECAUSE THE OTHER TWO PLANS DIVIDE RANCHO LOS
3 AMIGOS HOSPITAL WHERE I LIVE AND WORK IN LONG BEACH. THIS IS
4 TROUBLESOME. BECAUSE OVER THE YEARS, WE HAVE DEVELOPED A CLOSE
5 WORKING RELATIONSHIP WITH ORGANIZATIONS IN THE FOURTH
6 DISTRICTS. PLAN A-3 KEEPS OUR COMMUNITY INTACT. AND THAT IS
7 WHY I'VE COME TODAY TO VOICE MY SUPPORT FOR THE PLAN.
8 SUPERVISOR KNABE HAS WORKED SO HARD WITH PEOPLE WITH
9 DISABILITIES AND FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES, AND HE'S OUR
10 VOICE ON THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. AND HE'S SO IMPORTANT TO
11 OUR WORK AND TO THE PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES THAT WE WORK
12 WITH. THANK YOU.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. LET ME ALSO CALL
15 UP XIOMARA CORNEJO, GABY RAMIREZ. ROBERT JONES. STEVE PARK.
16 YES, MA'AM.

17

18 **PATRICE WONG:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS PATRICE WONG AND I'M
19 THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF LONG BEACH DAY NURSERY. I'M ALSO
20 HERE AS THE FOURTH DISTRICT APPOINTEE TO THE COUNTY CHILD CARE
21 PLANNING COMMITTEE AND AS VICE CHAIR OF THE CITY OF LONG BEACH
22 EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION COMMITTEE. I'M HERE IN SUPPORT OF
23 PLAN A-3. IT'S BEEN IMPLIED THAT A-3 IS NOT COMPLIANT WITH THE
24 VOTING RIGHTS ACT HERE. AND IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING THAT ALL THE
25 PROPOSED PLANS HAVE BEEN FOUND TO BE COMPLIANT WITH THE ACT.



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1 BUT ONLY PLAN A-3 RECOGNIZES THE INTEGRITY OF RELATIONSHIPS,
2 CONNECTIONS AND LINKAGES THAT HAVE BEEN BUILT OVER THE PAST
3 DECADES IN OUR COMMUNITIES. THE REASSIGNMENTS AND THE OTHER
4 PROPOSALS ARE NOT ONLY UNNECESSARY AND DISRUPTIVE, THEY WILL
5 IN FACT DAMAGE COMMUNITIES THAT HAVE SHARED THE SAME ISSUES,
6 SERVICES, AND REPRESENTATION FOR MORE THAN 20 YEARS. IT DOES
7 NOT MAKE ANY SENSE TO DIVIDE LONG BEACH, WHICH IS THE SECOND
8 LONGEST CITY IN THE COUNTY AND HOME TO HALF A MILLION
9 RESIDENTS INTO TWO DISTRICTS WHICH WILL LIKELY DILUTE OUR
10 VOICE AS A CITY. WELL NOT LIKELY, IT WILL DILUTE OUR VOICE AS
11 A CITY. AND HAMPER OUR ABILITY TO ENSURE QUALITY AND
12 TIMELINESS OF SERVICES ON BEHALF OF OUR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES.
13 THANK YOU.

14

15 **XIOMARA CORNEJO:** RESIDENT DISTRICT 2. GENTLENESS, SELF-
16 SACRIFICE AND GENEROSITY ARE THE EXCLUSIVE POSSESSION OF NO
17 ONE RACE OR RELIGION. MAHATMA GANDHI. SUPERVISOR DON KNABE HAS
18 FOR YEARS ADVOCATED AND SUPPORTED THE RESIDENTS OF DISTRICT 4.
19 NOW WE ARE HERE TO SUPPORT HIM. JUST TAKE A LOOK BEHIND ME NOT
20 BECAUSE WE SHARE THE SAME COLOR OF SKIN BUT BECAUSE WE SHARE
21 THE SAME VALUES. IT TAKES TIME AND EFFORT TO BUILD
22 RELATIONSHIPS AND TRUST AMONG CITY RESIDENTS, COMMUNITY-BASED
23 ORGANIZATIONS, AND INSTITUTIONS FOR US TO SAY THAT WE ARE
24 REALLY WORKING TOGETHER. THE WORK IS BEING DONE. WE NEED TO
25 HONOR THESE RELATIONSHIPS AND ACKNOWLEDGE THE PROGRESS IN OUR



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1 COMMUNITIES AND OUR DESIRE TO PARTNER WITH EACH OTHER. WHY
2 TAKE A STEP BACK WHEN WE CAN CONTINUE TO MOVE FORWARD? I MAY
3 NOT LOOK LIKE DON KNABE AND HE MAY NOT LOOK LIKE ME. HE'S
4 OBVIOUSLY MUCH TALLER. [LAUGHTER.] BUT HIS WORK SPEAKS FOR
5 ITSELF AND IT IS BECAUSE OF HIS WORK AND HIS RELATIONSHIP TO
6 THE COMMUNITIES OF DISTRICT 4 THAT I, ALONG WITH MANY OTHERS
7 SUPPORT PLAN A-3. JUST TAKE A LOOK BEHIND ME! [APPLAUSE.]

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. YES, SIR OR MA'AM.

10

11 **GABY RAMIREZ:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS GABY RAMIREZ. I'M A
12 RESIDENT OF WILMINGTON AND A MEMBER OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD ACTION
13 COUNCIL. I'M HERE WITH 150 OTHER SUPPORTERS. WE ARE ALL IN
14 SUPPORT OF PLAN A-3 AND OPPOSED TO T-1, S-2. WE DON'T WANT OUR
15 EXISTING COMMUNITY RELATIONSHIPS DISRUPTED IN ANY WAY. WE'VE
16 DEVELOPED OVER A LONG PERIOD OF TIME A GOOD RELATIONSHIP WITH
17 SUPERVISOR DON KNABE AND HIS STAFF. HE'S BEEN VERY RESPONSIVE
18 TO THE PEOPLE'S NEED IN MY COMMUNITY AND THE NONPROFITS IN OUR
19 AREA, ONE OF THEM BEING SOUTH BAY CENTER COMMUNITY
20 DEVELOPMENT. HIS CONTRIBUTION TO OUR DISTRICT HAS BEEN
21 OUTSTANDING. I RESPECTFULLY REJECT SUPERVISOR MOLINA'S
22 POSITION. IT IS DISRESPECTFUL TO ASSUME THAT VOTERS WILL VOTE
23 ONLY FOR CANDIDATES OF THEIR OWN RACE. VOTERS IN DON KNABE'S
24 DISTRICT UNDERSTAND THAT THE CONTENT OF HIS CHARACTER IS MORE
25 IMPORTANT THAN THE COLOR OF HIS SKIN. AND AS MARTIN LUTHER



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1 KING, JR. SAID, "I HAVE A DREAM THAT MY FOUR LITTLE CHILDREN
2 WILL ONE DAY LIVE IN A NATION WHERE THEY WILL NOT BE JUDGED BY
3 THE COLOR OF THEIR SKIN BUT BY THE CONTENT OF THEIR
4 CHARACTER".

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. LET ME ALSO CALL
7 UP -- ARE YOU ROBERT? OKAY. LET ME ALSO CALL UP TERRI
8 NISHIMURA AND BETTY MORSE.

9

10 **ROBERT JONES:** HELLO. MY NAME IS ROBERT JONES. I'M A THIRD-
11 GENERATION RESIDENT OF WILMINGTON. I CURRENTLY WORK FOR A
12 PROGRAM, SOUTH BAY CENTER FOR COUNSELING, UNDER THE PROGRAM
13 URBAN ARTS. URBAN ARTS IS A CAREER PATHWAY THAT PROMOTES ART
14 SKILLS, COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT AND PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT. I'M IN
15 FAVOR OF PLAN A-3 AND MAINTAINING OUR SAME DISTRICT. I BELIEVE
16 IT IS DISRESPECTFUL TO ASSUME THAT ONLY A LATINO CAN REPRESENT
17 LATINOS. DON KNABE'S DISTRICT IS 43 PERCENT LATINO AND HAS
18 BEEN HIGHLY RESPONSIVE TO THE NEEDS OF LATINOS. WITHOUT THE
19 SUPPORT OF DON KNABE, PROGRAMS LIKE URBAN ARTS WOULD NEVER
20 MAKE IT OFF THE GROUND. THROUGH THIS TIME OF ECONOMIC TURMOIL,
21 PROGRAMS THAT PROMOTE SKILLS AS WELL AS JOB PLACEMENT ARE
22 VITAL, ESPECIALLY ONES THAT TEACH ART AND EXPRESSION AS WE DO.
23 THEREFORE WE ARE HAPPY WITH THE STATUS QUO. WE HAVE A HEALTHY
24 AND GROWING RELATIONSHIP WITH DON KNABE UNDER DISTRICT 4. AND
25 TO REEMPHASIZE WHAT I'VE BEEN HEARING THAT CHARACTER, SKILLS,



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1 COMMITMENT TO RELATIONSHIPS MATTER MORE THAN SKIN COLOR.

2 CHARACTER NOT COLOR. RELATIONSHIPS NOT RACE.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. MR. PARK? MR. PARK?

5

6 **STEVE PARK:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS STEVE PARK, AND I LIVE
7 IN THE CITY OF TORRANCE. WHILE I DO NOT LIVE UNDER SUPERVISOR
8 KNABE'S DISTRICT, I'M HERE TO SPEAK IN FAVOR OF A-3. I DO NOT
9 BELIEVE RACE IS THE SINGLE MOST IMPORTANT CRITERIA FOR
10 SELECTING A PUBLIC OFFICIAL. I BELIEVE THAT CHARACTER, SKILLS,
11 COMMITMENT AND RELATIONSHIPS MATTER MORE THAN RACE. I THINK
12 DIVERSITY IS IMPORTANT AND ENRICHES THE LIVES OF ALL PEOPLE IN
13 THE COMMUNITY. I THINK DIVERSITY PROMOTES TOLERANCE AND MUTUAL
14 RESPECT BETWEEN CULTURES AND RACES. I BELIEVE THAT ALL RACES
15 SHOULD HAVE A VOICE IN GOVERNMENT AND THAT NO RACE'S VOICE IS
16 MORE IMPORTANT THAN ANOTHER.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP DE DE
19 HICKS AND DESTINEE VILLANUEVA. YES, MA'AM.

20

21 **BETTY MORSE:** MY NAME IS BETTY MORSE. AND I COME TO SPEAK ON
22 BEHALF OF THE 400 DEVELOPMENTALLY DISABLED ADULTS AND CHILDREN
23 THAT I SERVICE OR HELP SERVICE AT A.R.C. AND EVEN THOUGH WE'RE
24 LOCATED IN DOWNEY, WE SERVICE MANY COMMUNITIES AROUND DOWNEY.
25 AND THROUGHOUT THIS TIME, DON KNABE HAS BEEN MORE THAN A



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1 SUPERVISOR TO US; HE HAS BEEN A FRIEND TO A.R.C. THE BIG NEWS
2 IS THAT WE HAVE BEEN RECOGNIZED NOW AS AN ORGANIZATION THAT IS
3 BEING NAMED THE LOS ANGELES AND ORANGE COUNTY HOME OF A.R.C.
4 THIS MEANS ALL PERSONS WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES WILL BE
5 SERVICED BY OUR ORGANIZATION. THIS IS THE ONE SITUATION THAT
6 IS NOT BOXED IN BY RACE, CREED OR COLOR. THIS IS AN INDIVIDUAL
7 WHO HAS A DISABILITY FROM BIRTH. THANK YOU FOR THIS
8 RECOGNITION FOR OUR SUPERVISOR, DON KNABE.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP TED
11 EBENKAMP.

12

13 **TERRI NISHIMURA:** MY NAME IS TERRI NISHIMURA. I'M THE EXECUTIVE
14 DIRECTOR OF PEDIATRIC THERAPY NETWORK. I'M ALSO THE FOURTH
15 DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVE ON THE POLICY ROUNDTABLE FOR
16 CHILDCARE. I PERSONALLY AND PROFESSIONALLY ADORE SUPERVISOR
17 KNABE BUT I THINK IF I TOOK A STEP BACK AND I LOOK AT THE
18 WHOLE COUNTY, THE COUNTY IS A SAFETY NET FOR THOSE MOST AT
19 NEED. AND IT'S NOT ONE GIANT NET. IT'S MANY NETS. AND YOU'VE
20 HEARD ABOUT THE COMPLEXITY OF THESE NETS. WHAT I'M WORRIED
21 ABOUT AND WHAT MY COLLEAGUES AND SOCIAL HEALTHCARE SERVICES
22 HAVEN'T MENTIONED, IN THE PAST THREE YEARS WE HAVE SUFFERED
23 SIGNIFICANT CUTS. THOSE SAFETY NETS ARE FRAGILE. THEY'RE
24 FALLING APART. I SUPPORT A-3 BECAUSE I THINK IT IS THE BEST



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1 WAY TO ENSURE CONTINUITY OF CARE FOR THOSE THAT NEED IT THE
2 MOST IN OUR COUNTY.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. WHAT'S YOUR FIRST NAME?

5

6 **DESTINEE VILLANUEVA:** DESTINE, SORRY, I'M A LITTLE BIT NERVOUS.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET ME ALSO CALL UP TED EBENKAMP.

9 MARIA ARGUELLES. RACHEL CHAVEZ.

10

11 **DESTINE VILLANUEVA:** MY NAME IS DESTINE VILLANUEVA AND I'M FROM
12 THE CITY OF TORRANCE. I SUPPORT A-3 AND I THINK SUPERVISOR
13 KNABE IS DOING A GREAT JOB. THANKS TO HIM I'M PART OF THE
14 URBAN TEACHER FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM. THIS PROGRAM IS VERY DIVERSE
15 AND RACE HAS NO FACTOR WITHIN IT. IT DOES NOT MATTER OUR COLOR
16 BUT MORE ON THE INDIVIDUAL'S COMMITMENT AND SKILLS. THIS
17 PROGRAM IS HELPING ME GROW AND IS CREATING A BRIGHTER FUTURE
18 FOR ME. THANKS TO KNABE AND THE SUPPORT OF NONPROFITS LIKE
19 SOUTH BAY CENTER FOR COUNSELING, I'M PROMISED A SUCCESSFUL
20 FUTURE, AND SUPPORT A-3.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. ALSO JENNIFER OLAGUE. YES,
23 MA'AM.

24



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1 **RACHEL CHAVEZ:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS RACHEL CHAVEZ AND
2 I'M A RESIDENT OF THE FOURTH DISTRICT. I'M IN SUPPORT OF A-3.
3 I'M A RECOVERING ADDICT WITH ALMOST FIVE YEARS IN RECOVERY. I
4 WAS ABLE TO REBUILD MY LIFE WITH THE HELP OF A TREATMENT
5 PROGRAM LARGELY SUPPORTED BY THE FOURTH DISTRICT, AND
6 ESPECIALLY OUR SUPERVISOR DON KNABE. OUR DISTRICT HAS MANY
7 SERVICES THAT COULD BE IN JEOPARDY IF T-1 AND S-2 WOULD BE
8 ENACTED. I ENCOURAGE YOU TO VOTE FOR A-3. THANK YOU.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

11

12 **MARIA ARGUELLES:** HI, MY NAME IS MARIA ARGUELLES AND I'M HERE
13 TO SUPPORT A-3. I'M ALSO A CURRENT RESIDENT AT LA CASITA IN
14 DOWNEY, THAT'S A TREATMENT CENTER FOR SUBSTANCE ABUSE, SPECIAL
15 TREATMENT. AND YOU KNOW, WITH THE SUPPORT OF MR. DON KNABE,
16 I'VE BEEN ABLE TO GET REUNIFIED WITH MY DAUGHTER, MY FOUR-YEAR
17 OLD DAUGHTER. AND THIS IS ALL DUE TO THE SUPPORT HE HAS GAVE
18 US. THANK YOU.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. AND WE ASKED FOR TED
21 EBENKAMP. YES, MA'AM. YOU'RE ON.

22

23 **JENNIFER OLAGUE:** HI, MY THAT. IS JENNIFER OLAGUE AND I'M
24 ALUMNI FROM LA CASITA TREATMENT CENTER, CITY OF DOWNEY. I WANT
25 TO THANK DON KNABE FOR HIS CONTRIBUTIONS AND SUPPORT TO THE



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1 PROGRAM. I SUPPORT A-3. WITH HIS SUPPORT TO LA CASITA. I HAVE
2 BEEN VERY SUCCESSFUL. I AM PART OF PARENT AND PARTNERSHIP
3 PROGRAM THROUGH THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES
4 AND I WANT TO THANK DON KNABE FOR THESE DRUG AND ALCOHOL
5 PROGRAMS THAT GIVE FAITH AND HOPE BACK TO THE SINGLE MOTHERS
6 FIGHTING DRUG ADDICTION AND ALCOHOLISM. THANK YOU.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** JOAN MOAB, AND WE'LL NEED A MICROPHONE
9 FOR THAT GENTLEMAN. YES SIR.

10

11 **KEN EBENKAMP:** MY NAME IS KEN EBENKAMP. I STRONGLY OPPOSE THE
12 EFFORT TO REASSIGN 3.5 MILLION RESIDENTS INTO NEW DISTRICTS
13 AND ASK YOU THAT YOU APPROVE PLAN A-3 TODAY. MANY OF THE
14 PREVIOUS SPEAKERS HAVE ASKED YOU TO FORM TWO LATINO DISTRICTS.
15 UNDER A-3, HISPANICS WOULD MAKE UP A CLEAR MAJORITY OF
16 SUPERVISOR DISTRICT 4. THEY WOULD HAVE 43 PERCENT OF THE
17 RESIDENTS COMPARED TO 30 PERCENT FOR THE NEXT LARGEST GROUP.
18 HISPANICS WOULD ALSO HAVE A SUPER MAJORITY IN DISTRICTS 1 AND
19 2. I'M DEFINING A SUPER MAJORITY AS MORE THAN 50 PERCENT OF
20 RESIDENTS AND MORE THAN ALL OTHER ETHNIC GROUPS COMBINED. THUS
21 UNDER PLAN A-3, HISPANICS WOULD HAVE A MORE THAN FAIR CHANCE
22 OF ELECTING THREE SUPERVISORS NOT JUST TWO. THERE IS NO NEED
23 TO REASSIGN 3.5 MILLION PEOPLE. PLANS T-1 AND S-2 REPRESENT A
24 BLATANT EXAMPLE OF GERRYMANDERING DESIGNED TO PREDETERMINE
25 ELECTION OUTCOMES. THANK YOU.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. YES, SIR.

3

4 **JOHN MOWAT:** MY NAME IS JOHN MOWAT. I RESIDE IN HACIENDA

5 HEIGHTS AND I'M HERE IN SUPPORT OF PLAN A-3 AMENDED.

6 SUPERVISOR KNABE SERVES A DISTRICT THAT IS ETHNICALLY DIVERSE

7 AND DOES AN OUTSTANDING JOB IN MEETING THE NEEDS OF ALL.

8 PLEASE DO NOT DISENFRANCHISE THE VOTERS WHO ELECTED SUPERVISOR

9 KNABE BY PLACING US IN A NEWLY CREATED SUPER LATINO DISTRICT

10 CREATED BY GLORIA MOLINA TO SERVE HER AGENDA. YOU HAVE HEARD

11 ABOUT THE GOOD WORKS OF SUPERVISOR KNABE IS RESPONSIBLE FOR.

12 AT THE SAME TIME, THE ONLY THING TO BE SAID FOR GLORIA MOLINA

13 IS SHE WILL REPRESENT THE LATINO COMMUNITY. SUPERVISOR KNABE

14 WILL CONTINUE TO REPRESENT ALL THE PEOPLE, NOT JUST ONE GROUP.

15 T-1 CONCENTRATES ON CREATING A LATINO MAJORITY AND IGNORES THE

16 REST OF THE POPULATION. I DON'T THINK THAT MEETS THE SPIRIT OF

17 THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SIR. OKAY. LET ME CALL UP

20 NOW DR. SANDRA THOMAS. DR. SANDRA THOMAS AND IS SHE SPEAKING

21 FOR THE FIFTH DISTRICT? SOME OF OUR MEMBERS SPOKE UNDER THE

22 PUBLIC OFFICIALS. SO SHE SHOULDN'T SPEAK LONGER THAN ONE

23 MINUTE BUT LESS THAN THE TIME. DR. THOMAS? AND THEN WE WILL GO

24 TO THE PUBLIC WHO HAVE SIGNED UP. GOOD MORNING. GOOD

25 AFTERNOON. DR. THOMAS.



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2 **DR. SANDRA THOMAS:** MAYOR ANTONOVICH AND TO THE LOS ANGELES
3 COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS SANDRA THOMAS. AND I
4 AM CURRENTLY THE CHAIR OF THE ALTADENA TOWN COUNCIL. AND I'M
5 HERE THE SUPPORT PLAN A-3. I'M THE PAST PRESIDENT OF THE LOS
6 ANGELES COUNTY HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION AND A PAST AND
7 CURRENT OFFICER IN THE N.A.A.C.P., WHERE I'VE SERVED AT ALL
8 LEVELS, ALTADENA BRANCH PRESIDENT, STATE DIRECTOR REGIONAL
9 OFFICER AND THE NATIONAL TRAINER. BUT I'VE WORKED DILIGENTLY
10 IN MY COMMUNITY FOR MORE THAN 35 YEARS. AND I SAID ALL OF THAT
11 TO LET YOU KNOW THAT I'M NOT HERE BEFORE YOU TODAY AN AS LONE
12 RANGER. BUT I'M HERE CARRYING THE VOICE OF MANY WHO FEEL THAT
13 THEY WILL BE DRASTICALLY AFFECTED BY THE VOTES THAT EACH OF
14 YOU CAST TODAY FOR REDISTRICTING. I'M AWARE THAT EVERY YEAR
15 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IS REQUIRED TO REDRAW THE DISTRICT
16 LINES TO SUPPOSEDLY MAKE SURE THAT EACH DISTRICT HAS EQUAL
17 POPULATION. BUT I'M ALSO AWARE THAT EACH DISTRICT BOUNDARY
18 SHOULD RESPECT THE GEOGRAPHY, ALSO RESPECT THE EXISTING
19 COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST AND SHOULD NOT DISADVANTAGE ANY
20 PARTICULAR RACIAL GROUP. ANOTHER CONSIDERATION TO ME SHOULD BE
21 THE MAJOR CHANGE THAT IT CAUSES IN VOTER ADVANCEMENT OR VOTER
22 DEFERRAL. PLAN T-1 AND S-2 EACH REALIGN MORE THAN 3-1/2
23 MILLION PEOPLE TO DIFFERENT SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS WHERE OVER
24 A MILLION WOULD CHAOTICALLY NOT BE ABLE TO EVEN VOTE FOR A
25 SUPERVISOR FOR SIX YEARS. AND THEN OTHERS WOULD END UP VOTING



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1 TWO YEARS EARLIER THAN THEY ARE SCHEDULED TO VOTE. THERE SEEMS
2 TO BE SOMETHING WRONG WITH THAT PICTURE. BUT IN ORDER TO EVEN
3 ATTEMPT TO JUSTIFY SUCH A DRASTIC DISRUPTION IN THE ELECTORAL
4 PROCESS, THERE SEEMS THAT THERE SHOULD BE CLEAR AND COMPELLING
5 EVIDENCE OF WIDESPREAD DISCRIMINATION IN THE VOTING PATTERNS,
6 BUT THERE IS NONE. FIFTH DISTRICT HAS NOTHING TO REFLECT THIS.
7 IN MY COMMUNITY OF ALTADENA, WE'RE SIMILAR TO OTHER
8 COMMUNITIES THAT HAVE WORKED EXTREMELY HARD TO DEVELOP
9 COHESIVE WORKING RELATIONSHIPS WITH OUR LOCAL INSTITUTIONS,
10 OUR COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS AND OUR OTHER ENTITIES. BUT
11 WORKING TOGETHER, WE'VE BEEN SUCCESSFUL IN ACHIEVING THE
12 NEEDED IMPROVEMENTS FOR ALL RESIDENTS IN OUR PARTICULAR AREAS
13 AND ALSO IN OUR NEIGHBORING COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST. IT WOULD
14 BE A SHAME TO DISRUPT THESE COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST THAT HAVE
15 WORKED SO COLLABORATIVELY OVER THE MANY YEARS. AND IT WOULD BE
16 A DISGRACE TO DISRUPT THEM FOR THE SOLE PURPOSE OF ACHIEVING
17 POLITICAL GAINS THAT WE ALL KNOW WOULD ONLY DISENFRANCHISE
18 WITH LITTLE BENEFIT TO OUR COMMUNITY. AND SO WE FEEL TO DO
19 THAT WITH THE UNCONSCIONABLE. SO THEREFORE I'M HERE SUPPORTING
20 PLAN A-3 AND I'M ASKING FOR YOUR SUPPORT AND YOUR VOTE ON PLAN
21 A-3. THANK YOU FOR THIS TIME. HAVE A GOOD AFTERNOON.

22
23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, DOCTOR THOMAS. APPRECIATE
24 IT. OKAY. WE WILL NOW GO TO THE PUBLIC COMMENT. WE HAVE 800
25 PEOPLE PLUS WHO HAVE SIGNED UP. LAST TIME IT TOOK ABOUT SIX



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1 HOURS, FIVE HOURS. SO WE'RE GOING TO KEEP YOU TO ONE MINUTE.
2 WHEN THE LIGHT COMES ON, REGARDLESS WHERE YOU ARE IN YOUR
3 STATEMENT, WE'RE GOING TO HAVE TO BE, BECAUSE OF THE NUMBER,
4 PULL THE PLUG. SO AT THIS TIME I'M GOING TO CALL UP DIANA
5 TARANGO. RITA GOVEA. ARMANDO DURAN. AND ALEXANDER PERALTA.
6 OKAY, BROTHER. JUST GIVE YOUR NAME BEFORE YOU SPEAK AND YOU'RE
7 ON.

8

9 **RITA RODRIGUEZ:** MY NAME IS RITA GOVEA RODRIGUEZ. I AM FOR T-1.
10 I AM A BUSINESS OWNER IN THE COUNTY. I AM ALSO ON THE REVIEW
11 ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR THE GOLD LINE TO THE EAST SIDE. I AM
12 HERE TO TALK ABOUT THE TRANSPORTATION NEEDS OF THE LATINO AREA
13 IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. I HAVE WORKED ON TRANSPORTATION
14 ISSUES FOR MANY YEARS. I CAN ATTEST THAT IN LOS ANGELES
15 COUNTY, MOST DENSITY POPULATION NEIGHBORHOODS WERE TRANSPORT
16 OPINIONS NEED THE MOST. WE HAVE ALWAYS HAD THE LEAST. IT WAS
17 NOT LONG AGO THAT THERE WERE NO LOCAL SHUTTLES IN EAST LOS
18 ANGELES. IT WAS NOT LONG AGO THAT THERE WERE ONLY VERY FEW
19 LIMITED BUS SERVICES IN THE EAST. THE BUSES THAT WE DID HAVE
20 THAT RAN THROUGH THE COMMUNITY STOPS WERE NOT HELPFUL TO THE
21 LOCAL COMMUNITY.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YOUR TIME IS UP. THANK YOU. LET ME SAY
24 WHEN I CALL YOUR NAME, PLEASE COME UP. ONLY WHEN I CALL YOUR
25 NAME. DIANA TARANGO? HOLD ON. WE'LL START OVER AGAIN. RITA



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1 JUST SPOKE. THANK YOU. AND THEN ARMANDO DURAN? ARMANDO? ARE
2 YOU HERE?

3

4 **SUP. MOLINA:** YES, HE'S HERE.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** AND ALEXANDER PERALTA.

7

8 **DIANA TARANGO:** MY NAME IS TARANGO AND I'M A THIRD GENERATION
9 OF A COUNTY RESIDENT. I AM IN GLORIA MOLINA'S DISTRICT AND I
10 WANT TO THANK HER PERSONALLY AND MARK THOMAS RIDLEY FOR HAVING
11 THE TENACITY FOR THE REDISTRICTING. I AM HERE BECAUSE I
12 BELIEVE VERY STRONGLY THAT WE NEED REPRESENTATION OF MINORITY
13 GROUPS OR THE GROUPS WHO ARE DISFRANCHISED BECAUSE WE ARE
14 DIVIDED INTO SECTIONS OF THE COUNTY WHICH MAKE US A MINORITY
15 VOTE. THIS NEEDS TO CHANGE SO THAT WE CAN HAVE PROPER
16 REPRESENTATION IN THE COUNTY. SO BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, THIS IS
17 YOUR CHANCE TO SHOW THAT YOU BELIEVE IN THE PROMISE OF
18 DEMOCRACY FOR EVERYBODY. LET'S MAKE HISTORY TODAY TOGETHER.
19 THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.] LET ME ALSO
22 CALL UP DAVID MALKIN AND GEORGE CHOU?

23

24 **ROSALIO MUNOZ:** (SPANISH) MY NAME IS -- I'M HERE --

25



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WAIT WAIT. WE NEED A TRANSLATOR. SO

2 HOLD ON AND WE'LL GET A TRANSLATOR FOR YOU. YES, SIR.

3

4 **ARMONDO DURAN:** MY NAME IS ARMANDO, I'M A FORMER PRESIDENT OF

5 THE MEXICAN-AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. I

6 WAS ALSO A MEMBER OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOUNDARY REVIEW

7 COMMITTEE IN 1991. AT THAT TIME ALONG WITH OTHERS, I

8 DETERMINED THAT THERE EXISTED A GROWTH DISTRICT FOR LATINOS

9 THAT BY 2001 COULD BE DRAWN INTO A SECOND DISTRICT THAT WOULD

10 ALLOW LATINOS TO CHOOSE A REPRESENTATIVE OF THEIR CHOICE.

11 SINCE THAT TIME, I HAVE BEEN PUSHING FOR A SECOND LATINO

12 DISTRICT. I LISTENED TO MANY OF THE COMMENTS OFFERED ON

13 SEPTEMBER 6 IN THIS CHAMBER. UNFORTUNATELY MOST OF THE

14 COMMENTS WERE IRRELEVANT TO THE BASIC PRINCIPLES UPON WHICH A

15 COURT WILL DETERMINE THE EFFICACY OF THE PLAN THAT THIS BOARD

16 ULTIMATELY ADOPTS. SATISFACTION WITH A PARTICULAR SUPERVISOR

17 BY PAROCHIAL INTEREST IS NOT A PRIMARY CRITERIA FOR

18 DETERMINING THE LEGALITY OF A DISTRICTING PLAN. THE ARGUMENTS

19 TO SUPPORT A PLAN A-3 ARE THE SAME ARGUMENTS THAT LED TO THE

20 GARZA CASE IN THE 1980S AND WHICH WILL LEAD THE COUNTY BACK

21 INTO LITIGATION SHOULD IT BE APPROVED. THE MAIN FEATURE OF

22 THIS PLAN IS TO PACK LATINOS INTO THE FIRST DISTRICT IN ORDER

23 TO PRESERVE THE STATUS QUO.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. YES, SIR. ARE YOU THE
2 TRANSLATOR? [APPLAUSE.] WHERE IS THE TRANSLATOR? HE'S NOT HERE
3 YET. OKAY, WOULD YOU PLEASE GIVE YOUR TESTIMONY WHILE THE
4 TRANSLATOR'S COMING UP?

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6 **SPEAKER:** (SPANISH)

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8 **INTERPRETER:** I AM HERE TO DECLARE THAT THERE'S RACISM HERE AT
9 THE BOARD BECAUSE THEY'RE NOT READY TO HEAR THE LATINO VOICE.
10 WE HAVE TO WAIT IN ORDER TO SPEAK SPANISH. IN THE SPIRIT THAT
11 THERE'S ONLY THREE WHITE MEN AND THE REST ARE MINORITIES. ON
12 THAT SIDE. THERE IS THREE DISTRICTS THEY HAVE A MAJORITY,
13 ESPECIALLY ON THE LATINOS. AND WE REALLY ONLY HAVE ONE
14 DISTRICT IN REALITY WE ARE 48 PERCENT OF THE POPULATION.

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16 **SPEAKER:** (SPANISH.) [APPLAUSE]

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18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** IF WE'RE GOING TO HAVE INTERRUPTION,
19 WE'RE GOING TO ASK YOU TO LEAVE. IF YOU'RE GOING TO INTERRUPT,
20 YOU'RE GOING TO BE ASKED TO LEAVE. YOU'RE ONLY TAKING TIME
21 FROM YOUR SPEAKERS THAT ARE HERE.

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23 **SPEAKER:** (SPANISH.)

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1 **INTERPRETER:** THE DEMOCRACY CHANGES. AND IF YOU WANT TO CAUSE A
2 DISTRACTION AND I JUST WANT TO SAY THIS PLAN, THE SUPREMACY --
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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. GRACIAS. YES, SIR. NEXT
5 TIME YOU SPEAK PERFECT ENGLISH BUT IT WOULD BE BETTER TO USE
6 INGLES. OKAY, YES SIR.

7
8 **DAVID MALKIN:** MY NAME IS DAVID MALKIN. I'M FROM ROWLAND
9 HEIGHTS. THEY SAY A PICTURE IS WORTH 1,000 WORDS. I'M A LOUSY
10 ARTIST SO I DID A CHART INSTEAD. THIS CHART CLEARLY EXPLAINS
11 WHY A-3 IS THE BEST PLAN TO GO WITH FOR EVERYBODY THAT'S BEING
12 REPRESENTED TODAY. PLAN A-3 AS AMENDED CLEARLY REPRESENTS MORE
13 PEOPLE ON AN EQUAL BASIS. TODAY THE ISSUES WE HAVE BEFORE US
14 ARE BIGGER THAN JUST WHICH PLAN WILL BE APPROVED. OUR ELECTED
15 OFFICIALS AT ALL LEVELS OF GOVERNMENT, BOTH FEDERAL, STATE,
16 AND COUNTY HAVE BECOME SO POLARIZED THAT THEY HAVE LOST THE
17 MEANING OF STATESMEN. WE ARE NOW, AS VOTERS, EXPECT MORE FROM
18 OUR ELECTED OFFICIALS. WE EXPECT THEM TO WORK TOGETHER AND TO
19 TALK AND TO DISCUSS THE ISSUES AND TO COME UP WITH A PLAN THAT
20 WILL PARALLEL A-3 AS AMENDED. TO DO ANYTHING ELSE SHORT OF
21 THAT AND TO ALLOW IT TO GO TO A COMMITTEE OF THREE OR A
22 FEDERAL JUDGE IS NOT ACCEPTABLE. VOTERS SHOULD VOTE ON THE
23 MOST COMPETENT PERSON, NOT ON ANYTHING ELSE. THANK YOU.
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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SIR. LET ME ALSO CALL
2 VISHAL CHANHAN. GILBERT SALINAS AND CARLOS BENAVIDES. YES,
3 SIR. YOU'RE ON. IT'S ON. YOUR MICROPHONE'S ON NOW.

4

5 **GEORGE CHOU:** MY NAME IS GEORGE K. CHOU. AND I'M A PROFESSIONAL
6 WHO IS ALSO A COMMUNITY LEADER AROUND THE AREA JURISDICTION OF
7 THE EAST PORTION OF LOS ANGELES AND SOME OTHER PARTS INCLUDING
8 THE CITY -- HACIENDA HEIGHTS, WALNUT AND ALSO THE OTHER CITIES
9 AROUND THE ROWLAND HEIGHTS AREA. I STRONGLY SUPPORT A-3
10 BECAUSE IT COSTS LESS AND BETTER MAINTAINS OUR PRIVILEGE AND
11 OUR RIGHTS AND STRONGLY OPPOSE THE T-1 AND S-2 BECAUSE IT
12 OVEREMPHASIZES TO THE INTEREST OF LATINO COMMUNITY BECAUSE AS
13 A THE LATINO COMMUNITY WE DON'T WANT TO BE CONVERTED,
14 CALIFORNIA BE CONVERTED INTO A HALF MEXICO. AND WE DON'T THINK
15 IT'S REASONABLE FROM WHAT PEOPLE'S EFFORT FOR THE PAST DECADES
16 HAVE BEEN ESTABLISHED ACCOMPLISHMENT OF UNITED STATES IN
17 STANDARD LIKE RIGHT NOW. SO WE NEED TO MAINTAIN AND KEEP THIS
18 SYSTEM AND IT'S ALREADY SHOWING IT'S BEEN FAIR TO EVERYBODY.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SIR. YES, SIR.

21

22 **SPEAKER:** DOES NOT MATTER IF LATINO, CHINESE, AFRICAN-AMERICAN,
23 INDIANS. WE ARE ALL HERE TO FOLLOW AMERICAN DREAMS. SUPERVISOR
24 DON DID NOT ONLY SAY WE MAKE IT POSSIBLE WE RANCHO ATHLETES.
25 WHEN WE PLAY ON ONE TEAM. SO IT'S LIKE DIFFERENT -- SOMEONE IS



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1 FROM THE OTHER CITIES. SO WHEN WE ARE TOGETHER, WE ARE JUST
2 LIKE ONE TEAM. AND ONCE WE ARE UNIQUE, IT MAKES IT POSSIBLE
3 THAT WHAT ABOUT -- ENOUGH FOR ME TO EXPLAIN WHY A-3 BUT I'M
4 SURE IF YOU VISIT A MINUTE TO RANCHO LOS AMIGOS IT WILL BE
5 EXPLAINED WHY IT IS GOOD. THANK YOU.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SIR. LET ME CALL UP GILBERT
8 SALINAS. GILBERT SALINAS. YES, SIR.

9

10 **GILBERT SALINAS:** HELLO. MY NAME IS GILBERT SALINAS. I'M HERE
11 IN SUPPORT OF A-3 TODAY. SUPERVISOR DON KNABE. I WANT TO BRING
12 UP IN MY HUMBLE OPINION THAT THIS IS NOT AN ISSUE BASED ON
13 RACE. THIS IS NOT AN ISSUE BASED ON WHAT SUPERVISOR COULD RUN
14 THE DISTRICT BETTER THAN ANOTHER SUPERVISOR. FOR ME THIS IS
15 ABOUT COMMITMENT. AS ABRAHAM LINCOLN STATED, COMMITMENT IS
16 WHAT TRANSFORMS A PROMISE INTO REALITY. IT'S THE WORDS THAT
17 SPEAK BOLDLY OF YOUR INTENTIONS AND ACTIONS THAT SPEAK LOUDER
18 THAN YOUR WORDS. IT'S MAKING THE TIME WHEN THERE IS NONE. IT'S
19 COMING THROUGH TIME AFTER TIME, YEAR AFTER YEAR. COMMITMENT IS
20 THE STUFF THAT CHARACTER'S MADE UP. THE POWER TO CHANGE THE
21 FACE OF THINGS, THE DAILY TRIUMPH OF OF INTEGRITY OVER
22 SKEPTICISM. FOR THE PAST 15 YEARS DON KNABE HAS SHOWN THAT
23 COMMITMENT TO THOUSANDS OF PATIENTS OF RANCHO LOS AMIGOS
24 NATIONAL REHABILITATION CENTER. HE HAS ALSO SERVED HIS



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1 CONSTITUENTS WELL. TODAY WE'RE HERE TO SUPPORT DON AND WE
2 THANK HIM FOR YOUR CURRENT SERVICE. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SIR. IS GILBERT SOLIZ?
5 GILBERT?

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7 **GILBERT SALINAS:** THAT WAS ME.

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9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. THAT WAS GILBERT. OKAY.
10 ALEXANDER PERALTA? CARLOS BENAVIDES? ALISI TULUA? GILBERT
11 SALINAS, YOU SIGNED UP TWICE. CARLOS SIGNED UP TWICE, TOO.
12 CARLOS, YOU SIGNED UP TWICE. OKAY. SYLVIA LEYBA? GEORGE CHOU,
13 HE'S ALREADY SPOKEN. DAVID MALKIN, ALREADY SPOKEN. DALERIE WU,
14 DALERIE WU? CHAD SAMMETH? CHAD SAMMETH? CATHERINE GAUGHEN?
15 CATHERINE? JOHN KELSALL? JOHN KELSALL? WE HAVE FOUR UP UP
16 THERE? FIVE? THE FOUR WILL SIT THEN YOU CAN SIT ON THE SIDE
17 AND THEN COME UP. JUST GIVE YOUR NAME FOR THE RECORD AND SAY
18 YOUR SPEECH.

19

20 **SYLVIA LEYBA:** SYLVIA LEYBA. THANK YOU FOR HAVING ME. MY NAME
21 IS SYLVIA LEYBA. I LIVE IN THE CITY OF WHITTIER AND WORK IN
22 THE CITY OF DOWNEY. THE THING ABOUT WORK, IT'S NOT REALLY WORK
23 BECAUSE I'M ABOUT HELPING PEOPLE. I HELP PEOPLE EVERY DAY. YOU
24 HAVE SEEN SOME OF OUR RESIDENTS FROM LA CASITA. I WORK FOR AN
25 ORGANIZATION CALLED SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ALCOHOL AND DRUG



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1 PROGRAMS. I PERSONALLY RIGHT NOW WEAR SEVERAL HATS. ONE OF THE
2 HATS IS I'M A HOME-BASED COUNSELOR. I COUNSEL TEENS, TEEN BOYS
3 THAT ARE ON PROBATION. I COUNSEL THEM AND THEIR FAMILIES AT
4 THEIR HOMES. I TRY TO CHANGE THEIR LIVES. I ENCOURAGE THEM TO
5 GO TO SCHOOL. I ENCOURAGE THEM TO DO BETTER, TO QUIT TAGGING,
6 TO QUIT DOING DRUGS. I DO THIS BECAUSE OF PEOPLE THAT I'VE MET
7 ALONG THE WAY, PEOPLE THAT HAVE SUPPORTED WHAT I FEEL THAT IS
8 IMPORTANT. ONE OF THOSE PEOPLE IS DON KNABE. I STRONGLY URGE
9 YOU TO SUPPORT A-3.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

12

13 **SYLVIA LEYBA:** ONE MORE THING. WE IN THE NONPROFIT COMMUNITY,
14 WE RELY HEAVILY ON EACH OTHER AS PARTNERS. WE WORK TOGETHER
15 COLLABORATIVELY TO HELP CHANGE LIVES. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. MISS WU?

18

19 **DALERIE WU:** MY NAME IS DALERIE WU, I'M A RESIDENT OF ROWLAND
20 HEIGHTS, AND I'M HERE TO EXPRESS MY SUPPORT FOR PLAN A-3 AS
21 AMENDED AND OPPOSITION TO PLANS T-1 AND S-2. I VALUE DIVERSITY
22 AND THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT. THE SPIRIT OF THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT
23 CREATES OPPORTUNITIES FOR MINORITIES TO VOTE. THERE ARE MANY
24 DIFFERENT MINORITIES IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, OF WHICH I AM A
25 PART. T-1 AND S-2 WERE CREATED TO GUARANTEE AN ELECTORAL



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1 OUTCOME WHICH GOES AGAINST WHAT THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT STANDS
2 FOR. MOREOVER, PLAN A-3 AS AMENDED WILL ALLOW THE MOST NUMBER
3 OF PEOPLE TO CONTINUE TO BE REPRESENTED BY OFFICIALS THAT THEY
4 VOTED FOR, WHICH IS A KEY CORNERSTONE OF AMERICAN DEMOCRACY.
5 THANK YOU.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. YES, MA'AM.

8

9 **ALISI TULUA:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS ALISI
10 TULUA AND I'M HERE WITH THE TONGAN COMMUNITY SERVICE CENTER
11 AND ALSO A MEMBER OF APCON. I'M HERE ON BEHALF OF THE NATIVE,
12 HAWAIIAN AND PACIFIC ISLANDER COMMUNITIES OF L.A. COUNTY AND
13 IN SUPPORT OF A-3. RELATIVE TO LARGER ETHNIC COMMUNITIES,
14 WE'RE A VERY SMALL COMMUNITY. HOWEVER, WE HOLD ONE OF THE
15 MAJOR COMMUNITIES OF NATIVE HAWAIIAN AND PACIFIC ISLANDERS IN
16 THE CONTINENT. WE HAVE A LOT OF OUR COMMUNITY ELDERS HAVE
17 BUILT RELATIONSHIPS WITHIN OUR COUNTY IN EFFORTS OF DEVELOPING
18 OUR SMALL COMMUNITIES. AND I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR KNABE
19 AND SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS FOR SUPPORTING OUR
20 COMMUNITIES. HOWEVER, WE WOULD LIKE TO MAINTAIN THE
21 RELATIONSHIPS AND RESOURCES THAT HAVE BEEN BUILT OVER THOSE
22 YEARS IN SUPPORT, WITH THE SUPPORT OF A-3 AND SO WE WOULD LIKE
23 TO MAINTAIN THE VOICES OF OUR COMMUNITY AND ASK THAT YOU DON'T
24 DILUTE THE VOICES AND THE RELATIONSHIPS THAT WE HAVE DEVELOPED
25 THUS FAR. PLEASE SUPPORT A-3.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP JOHN
3 KELSALL AND LARRY LUE? LARRY? YES, MA'AM.

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5 **CATHERINE GAUGHEN:** I AM CATHERINE GAUGHEN, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
6 FOR THE CERRITOS REGIONAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. I RESPECTFULLY
7 REQUEST THAT YOU APPROVE PLAN A-3. L.A. COUNTY IS ALREADY SO
8 DIVERSE WITH OUR UNIQUE NEIGHBORHOODS, ETHNICITIES AND
9 CULTURES. BUT WE ALL WORK SO CLOSELY AS ONE UNIFIED DISTRICT.
10 THE FOURTH DISTRICT IS A COMMUNITY. PLEASE DO NOT CHANGE THIS.
11 AS A COUNTRY, WE HAVE WORKED SO HARD TO OVERCOME RACIAL
12 ADVERSITY AND WE HAVE BEEN SUCCESSFUL. MY GENERATION AND THE
13 ONES AFTER ME NO LONGER IDENTIFY OR DEFINE OURSELVES SOLELY BY
14 RACE OR ETHNICITY. WE HAVE TRULY BECOME MULTICULTURAL. AND YET
15 HERE SOME OF YOU ARE TAKING TEN STEPS BACK AND ASKING THAT
16 DISTRICTS BE DEFINED SOLELY BY A PERSON'S RACE. MARTIN LUTHER
17 KING, JR. HAD A DREAM THAT WE WOULD NOT BE JUDGED BY THE COLOR
18 OF OUR SKIN BUT BY THE CONTENT OF OUR CHARACTER. DON'T DEFINE
19 OUR DISTRICTS BY RACE OR THE COLOR OF A VOTER'S SKIN BUT
20 RATHER DEFINE OUR DISTRICTS BY THE CHARACTER OF THE EXISTING
21 NEIGHBORHOODS AND COMMUNITIES. PLEASE APPROVE PLAN A-3.
22 PRESERVE OUR NEIGHBORHOODS AND PRESERVE OUR DISTRICTS.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP SUSAN
2 RUBIO, LARRY LUE OF THE CHINATOWN SERVICE CENTER. AND LAURA
3 SANTOS? AND VIVIAN HANSON? VIVIAN HANSON? YES, SIR.

4

5 **JOHN KELSALL:** HONORABLE SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS JOHN KELSALL,
6 I'M THE PRESIDENT OF THE LAKEWOOD CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. THE
7 SUPERVISOR'S JOB IS TO SERVE ALL THE RESIDENTS OF THE
8 DISTRICT, LISTENING TO THEIR NEEDS, SOLVING THEIR PROBLEMS AND
9 WORKING FOR THE BETTERMENT OF ALL. A-3 IS EFFICIENT, MORE
10 MANAGEABLE, MORE CONTIGUOUS, THE LEAST DISRUPTIVE AND PROVIDES
11 GOOD REPRESENTATION FOR ALL. WE SHOULDN'T CARE IF OUR
12 SUPERVISORS ARE BLACK, WHITE, LATINO, ASIAN, ARMENIAN, MALE,
13 FEMALE, STRAIGHT OR GAY. WE SHOULD CARE THAT OUR SUPERVISORS
14 HAVE STRENGTH OF CHARACTER, HONESTY, INTEGRITY, COMPASSION,
15 COURAGE, WISDOM AND GOOD LEADERSHIP SKILLS. DON KNABE HAS
16 EXEMPLIFIED THAT FOR MORE THAN 20 YEARS AND REPRESENTS US ALL
17 WELL. IF WE ELECT A GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL THAT DOES NOT LIVE UP
18 TO THOSE STANDARDS THEN SHAME ON US FOR VOTING FOR THEM. WHEN
19 THE NAVY SEALS DIED IN AFGHANISTAN ON AUGUST 6, THERE WERE
20 MANY ETHNICITIES ON THAT AIRCRAFT, YET THEY WERE ONE BAND OF
21 BROTHERS FIGHTING TOGETHER FOR ONE CAUSE: AMERICA. ONE NATION
22 UNDER GOD INDIVISIBLE BECAUSE IF WE DIVIDE, WE WILL DEFEAT
23 OURSELVES. PLEASE VOTE FOR A-3. THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE.

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1 **SUSAN RUBIO:** HELLO MY NAME IS SUSAN RUBIO. I THANK YOU FOR
2 ALLOWING ME TO SPEAK TODAY. PLEASE FORGIVE MY VOICE. I AM
3 SICK.

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5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** HANG ON ONE SECOND. OKAY. HOLD HER TIME. CAN
6 WE HAVE QUIET IN THE ROOM? IF YOU NEED TO HAVE A CONVERSATION,
7 TAKE IT OUTSIDE THE ROOM. BUT IT'S BECOMING IMPOSSIBLE TO
8 HEAR. THANK YOU. GO AHEAD.

9

10 **SUSAN RUBIO:** ONCE AGAIN I WANT TO APOLOGIZE FOR MY VOICE. LIKE
11 I SAID I AM EXTREMELY SICK BUT I HOPE THAT ONLY SPEAKS TO THE
12 URGENCY OF ME BEING HERE TO REPRESENT ME AND MY COMMUNITY. MY
13 NAME IS SUSAN RUBIO. I AM A COUNCILWOMAN FOR THE CITY OF
14 BALDWIN PARK. AND TRADITIONALLY I BELIEVE THAT OUR CITY HAS
15 BEEN FORGOTTEN. THERE IS NO QUESTION THAT THERE HAS ALWAYS
16 BEEN MAJOR HEALTH DISPARITIES IN OUR COMMUNITY. HIGHER RATES
17 OF OBESITY, HEART DISEASE, HOMICIDE MORE THAN ANY OTHER
18 COUNTY. BUT I HAVE SEEN TREMENDOUS GAINS IN THOSE AREAS THANKS
19 TO THE LEADERSHIP OF OUR SUPERVISOR, GLORIA MOLINA. SO I WANT
20 TO THANK HER PERSONALLY FOR BEING SUCH AN ADVOCATE AND WORKING
21 COLLABORATIVELY WITH US TO CHANGE THOSE DISPARITIES. I'M HERE
22 IN SUPPORT OF T-1 AND S-2. WITH HER LEADERSHIP, I HAVE SEEN
23 THAT THE MESSAGE TO OUR COMMUNITIES HAVE BEEN MORE CULTURALLY
24 APPROPRIATE AND BILINGUAL, WHICH WE DO NEED. LATINOS TEND TO
25 HAVE OVERLAPPING INTERESTS AND SIMILAR EXPERIENCES. SO I'M



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1 HERE TO URGE YOU TO ELECT MORE ADVOCATES TO THIS BOARD TO HELP
2 MEET THESE CHALLENGES IN OUR COMMUNITIES. THANK YOU FOR YOUR
3 TIME.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET ME ALSO CALL UP FREDDIE RODRIGUEZ.
6 WE DID LAURA JUST NOW. AND VIVIAN HANSON WE HAVE AND ROSA
7 FUENTES. ROSA FUENTES MARY ANN STROTE. WHY DON'T YOU GO?

8

9 **VIVIAN HANSON:** GOOD AFTERNOON. I'M VIVIAN HANSON, A SCHOOL
10 BOARD MEMBER FROM PARAMOUNT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT AND THE
11 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE NORWALK CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, TWO OF
12 THE CITIES THAT WOULD BE AFFECTED BY PLANS T-1 AND S-2. I'M
13 HERE TO ASK FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF PLAN A-3 TO MAINTAIN THE
14 CURRENT BOUNDARIES OF SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 4. CENSUS DATA
15 SHOULD NOT BE USED TO REINVENT THE WHEEL. IT CAUSES
16 ESTABLISHED RELATIONSHIPS TO BE SPLINTERED. IT SHOULD BE USED
17 TO REALIGN BOUNDARIES WITH MINIMAL DISRUPTION TO EXISTING
18 RELATIONSHIPS AND PROGRAMS ALREADY IN PLACE. T-1 AND S-2 ARE
19 HIGHLY DIVISIVE TO ALL OF THE COMMUNITIES. PLEASE DO NOT PLAY
20 POLITICS WITH YOUR CONSTITUENTS AND TAKE US BACKWARDS. RESPECT
21 OUR COHESIVENESS. THANK YOU.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP DIEGO
24 CARDOS. YES, SIR.

25



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1 **ALEXANDER PERALTA:** MY NAME IS ALEXANDER PERALTA. I JUST WANT
2 TO SAY I PLAY BASKETBALL AT RANCHOS AMIGOS REHABILITATION
3 CENTER AT DOWNEY. AND I'M IN SUPPORT OF A-3. AND I JUST WANT
4 TO KEEP MY COMMUNITY CONNECT, HAVE THE RELATIONSHIP WE HAVE
5 AND I DON'T THINK T-1 AND S-2 WILL DO THAT JOB OF KEEPING OUR
6 COMMUNITY MORE CONNECTED. THANK YOU.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SIR. YES, MA'AM.

9

10 **MARY ELLEN STROTE:** MARY ELLEN STROTE. I LIVE IN UNINCORPORATED
11 CALABASAS IN THE THIRD DISTRICT. I WAS GOING TO TALK ABOUT
12 SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS, BUT YOU'VE HEARD THAT. AND I'M JUST
13 GOING TO TELL YOU THAT WHEN MAYOR VILLARAIGOSA RAN FOR OFFICE
14 THE LAST TIME, I SPENT THREE DAYS AT A PHONE BANK MAKING CALLS
15 FOR HIM. NOT BECAUSE I COULD VOTE FOR HIM. I DON'T LIVE IN THE
16 CITY. BUT I DID IT BECAUSE I FELT IT WAS TIME FOR A CHANGE.
17 AND I URGE YOU, SUPERVISORS, TO LOOK TO THE FUTURE AND NOT TO
18 THE HORRORS OF THE PAST. THIS NEXT GENERATION IS MORE
19 INCLUSIVE. AND THEY WANT A CHANGE, TOO. BUT NOT THE CHANGE TO
20 THE PAST. THANK YOU.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP POLLY
23 THOMAS. UN MOMENTO. UN MEMENTO. WAIT. POLLY THOMAS AND ANN
24 FRANZEN. OKAY.

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1 **ROSA FUENTES:** (SPANISH) .

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3 **INTERPRETER:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS ROSA FUENTES. I'M FROM
4 THE GROUP N.A.T. GROUP FROM LONG BEACH. I'M HERE BECAUSE I
5 BELIEVE THERE'S A FALL OF RESPECT. TO -- BELIEVE THAT ONLY ONE
6 LATINO CAN REPRESENT A LOT OF LATINOS. DON KNABE'S DISTRICT IS
7 43 PERCENT LATINO AND HE HAS SHOWN -- SUPERVISOR KNABE HAS
8 SHOWN RESPECT AND THE CAPACITY TO PROVIDE ANSWERS TO THE
9 NECESSITIES OF THE LATINO COMMUNITY. I'M ASKING YOU FOR PLAN
10 A-3. THANK YOU.

11

12 **DIEGO CARDOSO:** MY NAME IS DIEGO CARDOSO, I'M TAKING A DAY OFF
13 FROM WORK SO THAT I CAN COME AND SPEAK TO YOU TODAY. I
14 REMEMBER MANY YEARS AGO WHEN YOU WERE DISCUSSING THIS ISSUE
15 WHEN YOU CREATED DISTRICT 1 THAT SUPERVISOR MOLINA WAS
16 ELECTED. I REMEMBER THE ISSUES WERE THE SAME. THE FEAR, THE
17 UNDERSTANDING, TRYING TO KEEP RELATIONSHIPS. I THINK WHAT WE
18 ARE HERE TODAY AND WE HEAR SOME GREAT PRESENTATIONS ABOUT THE
19 CIVIL RIGHTS AND THE PROGRESS THAT WAS MADE BECAUSE OF THAT.
20 IT WAS A STRUGGLE, THE CIVIL RIGHTS TO FACILITATE CHANGE, TO
21 FACILITATE THE RECOGNITION OF PEOPLE IN HOW THEY SHOULD BE
22 ACCOUNTED IN TERMS OF THEIR ELECTIONS. TODAY IT'S YOUR TIME TO
23 MAKE DECISIONS TO CONTINUE THE LEGACY AND ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE
24 CIVIL RIGHTS MOVEMENT. AND I DON'T WANT TO REPEAT ANYTHING.
25 AND I KNOW SOME MANY OF YOU, SUPERVISORS, AND YOU'RE GREAT



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1 LEADERS AND YOU SERVE WELL YOUR COMMUNITY. BUT TODAY IT'S
2 ABOUT THE ISSUE OF HOW DO WE ADVANCE THE CIVIL RIGHTS IN L.A.?
3 THANK YOU.

4

5 **POLLY THOMAS:** HELLO. MY NAME IS POLLY THOMAS.

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7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET ME ALSO AGAIN CALL UP ANN FRANZEN,
8 FRANZEN, JOSEPH DERTHICK. VIVIAN HANSON HAS ALREADY SPOKEN.
9 GREG WASKUL, GREG WASKUL. AND FRANK VILLALOBOS. YOU'RE ON.

10

11 **POLLY THOMAS:** HI. MY NAME IS POLLY THOMAS AND I SUPPORT PLAN
12 A-3. THE FOURTH DISTRICT IS FORTUNATE IN HAVING A RESPONSIVE
13 COUNTY SUPERVISOR. THIS ELECTED POSITION IS ABOUT
14 REPRESENTATION AND NOT THE RACE OF THE ELECTED REPRESENTATIVE.
15 TO CHANGE THE DISTRICT LINES WOULD CAUSE MY COMMUNITY TO BE
16 DISENFRANCHISED BY JOINING THEM WITH THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY,
17 MALIBU, SANTA MONICA, WHICH IS JUST MILES AND MILES AWAY FROM
18 OUR CITY. EARLIER THIS MONTH, OUR NATION OPENED A NATIONAL
19 MONUMENT HONORING MARTIN LUTHER KING. AMONG HIS MANY
20 ACHIEVEMENTS IS KING'S MEMORABLE SPEECH ABOUT HIS DREAM. AND
21 THAT DREAM IS ABOUT THE CHARACTER OF A MAN BEING JUDGED, NOT
22 BY THE COLOR OF HIS DESIGN BUT BY HIS CHARACTER. BY SUPPORTING
23 A-3, YOU ARE PERPETUATING DR. KING'S DREAM. PLEASE DO SO.

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25 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. YES, SIR.



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JOSEPH DERTHICK: HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS JOSEPH DERTHICK. I'M AN INDEPENDENT BUSINESSMAN AND PRESIDENT OF THE NORWALK CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. I FEEL COMPELLED TO WEIGH IN ON THESE PROPOSED PLANS BEFORE YOU. I'VE TAKEN TIME OUT OF MY DAY AND I'M 100 PERCENT COMMISSION, SO PLEASE RESPECT MY TIME AND PAY ATTENTION. I HAVE BEEN RAISED, EDUCATED, WORKED AND LIVED IN WHAT IS NOW CURRENTLY THE FOURTH DISTRICT FOR THE PAST 50 YEARS. WHILE DIVERSE AND SOCIOECONOMIC AND ETHNIC MAKEUP, THE FOURTH DISTRICT HAS OVER THE YEARS DEVELOPED MANY INTERDEPENDENT RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN THE VARIOUS CITIES, ETHNIC COMMUNITIES, BUSINESSES AND NONPROFITS THAT COMPILE THE CURRENT DISTRICT BOUNDARIES. DON KNABE AND HIS PREDECESSOR DEAN DANA SHOWED WHAT GREAT LEADERSHIP IS BY ESTABLISHING AN INCREDIBLE NETWORK OF OFFICES AND STAFF MEMBERS THAT RESPOND QUICKLY TO ANY ISSUES NO MATTER WHAT THE SIZE. THE SUPERVISORS ALWAYS BECOME PERSONALLY INVOLVED WHENEVER POSSIBLE. CENSUS DATA SHOULD BE USED TO REALIGN CURRENT DISTRICT BOUNDARIES, PLAN A-3, WITH MINIMAL DISRUPTION.

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SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: YOUR TIME IS UP. THANK YOU. THANK YOU. SORRY. LET ME CALL ALSO LUCY RAMOS, JORGE ROBLES AND SHARON LOWE. YES, SIR.

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1 **FRANK VILLALOBOS:** HONORABLE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS
2 FRANK VILLALOBOS, I'M HERE REPRESENTING THE EAST LOS ANGELES
3 COMMUNITY YOUTH CENTER, A FACILITY IN EAST LOS ANGELES
4 SUPPORTED BY GLORIA MOLINA. I'M HERE AS A TAXPAYER AND AS A
5 VOTER IN THE FIRST DISTRICT. I HAVE IN THE PAST, YOU KNOW,
6 MADE A MARK AS AN ACTIVIST ALTHOUGH I AM AN ARCHITECT AND A
7 FELLOW IN THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS. I'M BEST
8 REMEMBERED FOR THE FIGHT AGAINST THE PRISON WHICH I SPENT 10
9 YEARS WITH GLORIA MOLINA FIGHTING THE STATE IN PREVENTING A
10 PRISON TO BE BUILT IN EAST LOS ANGELES. I OPPOSE A-3 BASED ON
11 THE FACT THAT IT DOES NOT TRULY REPRESENT THE COMPLEXION OF
12 THE NEW COMMUNITY IN THE STATE, IN THIS COUNTY. I AM
13 SUPPORTIVE OF GLORIA'S PLAN TO EXTEND AN OPPORTUNITY TO BECOME
14 MORE IN LINE WITH THE COMPLEXITY OF THE NEW RESIDENTS OF THIS
15 AREA.

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17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

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19 **FRANK VILLALOBOS:** AN EXAMPLE -- IS THIS ONE MINUTE?

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21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** NO, SIR, I'M SORRY. WE ONLY HAVE ONE
22 MINUTE FOR EACH PERSON. SORRY. YES, SIR, YOU'RE NEXT. YES,
23 MA'AM.

24

25 **FRANK VILLALOBOS:** I SUPPORT GLORIA MOLINA. [LAUGHTER.]



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WE KNOW THAT.

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4 **SHARON LOWE:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MY NAME IS SHARON LOWE. I SPEAK
5 IN OPPOSITION TO MAINTAINING THE STATUS QUO. WHILE I CONCUR
6 WITH MANY OF THE POINTS RAISED BY MY FELLOW A.P.I. ANGELINOS,
7 I HAVE TO RESPECT DISAGREE, WHICH IS TYPICAL OF ME. CHANGES
8 ARE INEVITABLE AND SO ARE RELATIONSHIPS. THEY ARE DESTINED TO
9 BE DISRUPTED. AS IN 2014 THREE OF THE MEMBERS OF THIS BOARD
10 WILL BE TURNED OUT. SO CHANGES WILL HAPPEN. HISTORY HAS SHOWN
11 US THAT CHALLENGES TO THE STATUS QUO AND ADHERENCE TO THE
12 VOTING RIGHTS ACT HAVE RESULTED INTO POSITIVE CHANGES AND
13 IMPROVED QUALITY OF LIFE FOR DISENFRANCHISED COMMUNITIES. BUT
14 FOR THESE CHALLENGES, I WOULD NOT HAVE BEEN ABLE TO VOTE FOR A
15 FINER AND A FIRST FEMALE MEMBER OF THIS BOARD. I WOULD NOT BE
16 ABLE TO SEE TODAY IN THE FIRST DISTRICT A REPLACEMENT HOSPITAL
17 THAT IS STATE-OF-THE-ART AND AT THE SAME TIME HEALTHCARE
18 FACILITIES VIA CLINICS THROUGHOUT THE FIRST DISTRICT. I WOULD
19 NOT BE ABLE TO SEE TODAY THAT THE L.A. RIVER AND THE SAN
20 GABRIEL RIVER ARE CLEAN, PROTECTED WATERSHEDS AND PROVIDE
21 RECREATION AND GREEN SPACE FOR COMMUNITIES ALONG THE RIVER,
22 BOTH RIVERS. THIS IS ESSENTIAL.

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, MA'AM.

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1 **SHARON LOWE:** THANK YOU.

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3 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET ME ALSO CALL UP CHANTHY YI.

4 CHANTHY YI. ERNESTO PANTOJA AND JAMES GILLIAM. YES, SIR.

5

6 **JORGE ROBLES:** MY NAME IS JORGE ROBLES. I'M ON THE PASTOR DE

7 TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH IN SOUTH WHITTIER. I HAVE BEEN

8 WORKING FOR MANY YEARS TO IMPROVE PUBLIC -- IN THE

9 UNINCORPORATED AREA OF SOUTH WHITTIER WITH THE COOPERATION OF

10 THE CHILDREN'S DEPARTMENT, OUR COMMUNITY WAS ABLE TO TAKE BACK

11 MAYBERRY PARK. THIS AREA NOW IS GANG-FREE. CHILDREN PLAY

12 FREELY AND FAMILIES ARE ABLE TO ENJOY THE PARK ANY TIME. I AM

13 ASKING YOU TO LISTEN TO THE PEOPLE OF THE COUNTY OF LOS

14 ANGELES. DON'T DILUTE THEIR VOICE BY PACKING ALL LATINOS INTO

15 ONE SINGLE DISTRICT. IN SHORT, WE SUPPORT T-1 OR S-2 MAP.

16 GLORIA MOLINA, THANK YOU TO CONTINUE SUPPORT IN WHITTIER.

17 [APPLAUSE.] (GAVEL).

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19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET ME ALSO CALL UP TOBY KEELER. YES,

20 SIR.

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22 **CHANTHY YI:** THE HONORABLE L.A. COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, MY

23 NAME IS CHANTHY YI, THE COMMUNITY SPECIALIST OF THE CAMBODIAN

24 COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA IN LONG BEACH. I'M HERE TODAY

25 TO EXPRESS MY OPINION AS A CONCERNED CITIZEN AND ON BEHALF OF



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1 MY PEOPLE BACK THERE IN THE AUDIENCE. AS A GROUP, WE ARE HERE
2 TODAY TO VOICE OUR SUPPORT FOR THE REDISTRICTING PLAN A-3
3 AMENDED UNDER WHICH THE CURRENT BOUNDARIES ARE PHYSICALLY
4 MAINTAINED. LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, AS ONE OF THE MINORITY
5 GROUPS IN L.A. COUNTY, WE FIRMLY BELIEVE SOCIAL JUSTICE AND
6 THEIR REPRESENTATION. THEREFORE WOULD WOULD LIKE TO HUMBLY
7 REQUEST YOU ALL SUPPORT A-3 SO WE ALL CAN MOVE ON NORMALLY
8 WITH OUR LIVES WITHOUT ANY DISRUPTIONS OF SERVICES AND
9 HAPPINESS FROM THE COUNTY AND GOVERNMENT. THANK YOU.

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11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. AND LET ME ALSO CALL UP
12 EMELIA CASTENEDA. YES, SIR.

13

14 **JAMES GILLIAM:** GOOD AFTERNOON. I AM JAMES GILLIAM, THE DEPUTY
15 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE A.C.L.U. OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA.
16 THIS BODY WILL SOON CAST A CRITICAL VOTE TO DECIDE HOW TO
17 REDRAW DISTRICT LINES. YOU HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE HISTORY
18 OR REPEAT IT. IF YOU HONOR THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT. YOU WILL
19 BECOME THE FIRST BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO DO SO IN OVER HALF A
20 CENTURY. IF NOT, YOU WILL REPEAT ONE OF THE MOST SHAMEFUL
21 CHAPTERS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY HISTORY. FROM 1950 THROUGH
22 1990, SUCCESSIVE BOARDS OF SUPERVISORS DELIBERATELY DILUTED
23 THE LATINO VOTE TO PRESERVE THEIR OWN INCUMBENT POWER. IT WAS
24 DELIBERATE DISENFRANCHISEMENT. IT'S A STORY ALREADY INTIMATELY
25 FAMILIAR TO EVERY MEMBER OF THE BOARD AND TO THE A.C.L.U.,



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1 BECAUSE WE HELPED LITIGATE GARZA. HERE IN L.A. COUNTY, LATINOS
2 NOW COMPRISE 48 PERCENT OF THE COUNTY'S POPULATION AND LATINOS
3 AND ASIANS WERE THE PRIMARY FORCES BEHIND THE COUNTY'S GROWTH
4 IN THE PAST DECADE. THIS INCREASING REPRESENTATION MUST BE
5 REFLECTED IN REDISTRICTING PLANS. WE URGE YOU TO ADOPT A PLAN
6 THAT WILL NOT DILUTE LATINO VOTING STRENGTH AND WILL GIVE
7 LATINOS A MEANINGFUL OPPORTUNITY TO ELECT CANDIDATES OF THEIR
8 CHOICE.

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10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP.

11 [APPLAUSE.] JOAN KAY, JOAN KAY.

12

13 **ERNESTO PANTOJA:** GOOD AFTERNOON MY NAME IS ERNESTO PANTOJA.
14 I'M HERE TO SPEAK ON BEHALF OF NOT ONLY MYSELF BUT LABORERS
15 LOCAL 300. WE HAVE A MEMBERSHIP OF OVER 10,000 MEMBERS WITHIN
16 THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, A MAJORITY OF WHICH COME OUT OF THE
17 SAN FERNANDO VALLEY AND A MAJORITY OF THOSE ARE LATINO. OUR
18 MAIN INTEREST HERE IS THE FUTURE. WE DO APPLAUD THE EFFORTS OF
19 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. WE DO APPRECIATE HIS HARD WORK, HIS
20 DEDICATION, HIS COMMITMENT, HIS STRENGTH AND HIS SELFLESSNESS
21 IN OVERSEEING HIS DISTRICT. OUR MAIN ISSUE IS THE FUTURE AND
22 WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN ONCE HE'S GONE. FOR ME PERSONALLY, I
23 WAS BORN AND RAISED IN THE VALLEY IN THE CITY OF SAN FERNANDO
24 UNDER YAROSLAVSKY'S DISTRICT. AND I NOW LIVE IN WEST L.A. WITH
25 THE HOPES OF RETURNING TO THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY. AND I'VE



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1 HEARD OVER AND OVER ABOUT COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST. BUT LET ME
2 SAY SOMETHING. THERE IS NO COMMUNITY OF INTEREST BETWEEN MY
3 LIVING IN WEST L.A. AND GROWING UP IN THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY.
4 AND THAT'S WHAT WE NEED TO PRESERVE AND FIGHT FOR. THANK YOU.

5

6 **TOBY KEELER:** I'M TOBY KEELER. DISTINGUISHED SUPERVISORS, OR AT
7 LEAST I USED TO FEEL THAT WAY BUT EVER SINCE THE LAST-MINUTE
8 REDISTRICTING MESS UNFOLDED IT SEEMS MORE LIKE A POLITICAL
9 CHESS MATCH WHERE WE THE PEOPLE ARE MERELY PAWNS IN SOMEONE'S
10 GAME PLAN. DOES THIS BOARD REALLY SUPPORT FRAGMENTING OUR
11 COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST, LEAVING 3-1/2 MILLION CITIZENS
12 SUDDENLY REPRESENTED BY A SUPERVISOR FOR WHOM NO ONE VOTED?
13 WITH ALL DUE RESPECT, HOW WOULD YOU FEEL? BUT WHAT BOTHERS ME
14 THE MOST ARE WHAT WOULD COME AS RACE-BAITING UNDERTONES BEING
15 USED BY SOME, INCLUDING THE L.A. TIMES, TO SOMEHOW JUSTIFY THE
16 WORST EXAMPLE OF GERRYMANDERING I'VE EVER SEEN IN MY YEARS AS
17 AN AVERAGE, CONCERNED, MIDDLE CLASS AMERICAN VOTER. I WOULD
18 FINALLY URGE THAT YOU NOT FORGET THE HUNDREDS OF VOICES FROM
19 ACROSS ALL ETHNIC TRADITIONS WHO SHOWED UP HERE ON SEPTEMBER
20 THE SIXTH AND WHO BY A SIGNIFICANT MARGIN OF 5 TO 1 VOICED
21 SUPPORT FOR MAP A-3 AMENDED AND OPPOSED MAPS T-1 AND S-2.
22 PLEASE HONOR THE MAJORITY WILL OF THE PEOPLE. THANK YOU.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, NEXT? SHE'S UP, ZEV. SHE'S UP.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHO IS?

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3 **SUP. KNABE:** THIS LADY RIGHT HERE.

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5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YES, GO AHEAD.

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7 **CHRISTINE VALENCIANA:** I'M CHRISTINE VALENCIANA, RESIDENT OF
8 DIAMOND BAR AND PROFESSOR AT CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY,
9 FULLERTON. I'M ALSO SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF MY MOTHER EMELIA
10 CASTENADA, A RESIDENT OF LA MIRADA WHO WAS BORN IN BOYLE
11 HEIGHTS IN 1926 AND A RESIDENT OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY FOR OVER
12 75 YEARS. THE HISTORY OF L.A. COUNTY SHOWS THAT A LACK OF
13 REPRESENTATION HAS CONTRIBUTED TO LATENT DISCRIMINATION
14 AGAINST MEXICAN AND MEXICAN AMERICANS. L.A. COUNTY, WITH THE
15 AUTHORIZATION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, EXPELLED 1 OUT OF 3
16 MEXICAN AMERICAN FAMILIES TO MEXICO, A FOREIGN COUNTRY DURING
17 THE 1930S. MANY OF THOSE PEOPLE WERE NEVER ABLE TO VOTE DUE TO
18 THIS ACTION. LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OPERATED
19 A DEPORTATION OFFICE AND LATER CALLED IT A REPATRIATION
20 OFFICE, WHICH WAS REALLY A OF EUPHEMISM, AS MANY OF THOSE
21 DEPORTED, LIKE MY MOTHER, HAD NEVER BEEN TO MEXICO. I WAS
22 PROVIDED TESTIMONY IN AN ORAL HISTORY INTERVIEW IN 1971 WITH
23 JOHN ANSON FORD, WHO EXPLAINED THE ROLE OF THE BOARD OF
24 SUPERVISORS IN THIS ILLEGAL AND UNJUST EXPULSION OF THOUSANDS



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1 FROM LOS ANGELES COUNTY IN THE 1930S. MY MOTHER WAS NINE YEARS
2 OLD WHEN SHE WAS DEPORTED TO MEXICO.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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6 **CHRISTINE VALENCIANA** I'M SUPPOSED TO GET TWO MINUTES, SIR.

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8 **>>SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ONE.

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10 **CHRISTINE VALENCIANA:** I'M SUPPOSED TO GET TWO MINUTES. I'M
11 REPRESENTING MYSELF AND MY MOTHER, EXCUSE ME.

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13 **EMELIA CASTENADA:** ONE MINUTE FOR ME.

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15 **CHRISTINE VALENCIANA:** ONE MINUTE FOR HER.

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17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YOU'RE REPRESENTING YOUR MOTHER.

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19 **CHRISTINE VALENCIANA:** YES, MY MOTHER WAS NINE YEARS OLD WHEN
20 SHE WAS DEPORTED TO MEXICO.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** CONTINUE, I'M SORRY. GO ON.

23

24 **CHRISTINE VALENCIANA:** OKAY, THANK YOU, SIR. MY MOTHER WAS NINE
25 YEARS OLD WHEN SHE WAS DEPORTED TO MEXICO ALONG WITH HER



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1 FAMILY. AND THIS WAS A DIRECT RESULT OF THE ACTIONS OF THIS
2 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IN 1935. HER LIFE AND THOUSANDS OF OTHERS
3 LIVES WERE SEVERELY AND NEGATIVELY IMPACTED. SHE AND HER
4 FAMILY BECAME HOMELESS IN A FOREIGN LAND WHERE SHE WAS FORCED
5 TO LIVE OUTDOORS, WAS UNABLE TO CONTINUE WITH HER EDUCATION
6 AND ENDURED CHILD LABOR FOR NINE LONG YEARS. PLEASE REJECT THE
7 A-3 MAP AS THIS WOULD BE ANOTHER EXAMPLE OF INJUSTICE AND
8 DENIAL OF VOICE TO THE LATINO COMMUNITY. THE LOS ANGELES
9 COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DID NOT REPRESENT MEXICAN
10 AMERICANS IN THE 1930S. THEREFORE IT'S CRITICAL THAT THE LOS
11 ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS REPRESENT MEXICAN
12 AMERICANS IN THE 21ST CENTURY TO AVOID FUTURE DISCRIMINATION
13 AND INJUSTICE BY SUPPORTING THE A-1 OR S-2 MAP. THANK YOU VERY
14 MUCH.

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16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SORRY ABOUT THAT. (APPLAUSE.) PLEASE
17 USE YOUR HANDS. LET ME ALSO CALL UP DAVID LEVY. STEVE TWINING.
18 STEVE TWINING.

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20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** TWINING, TWINING.

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22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** TWINING. BRUCE ROYER. BRUCE ROYER.
23 YES, MA'AM.

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1 **JOAN KAY:** MY NAME IS JOAN KAY AND I'M GOING TO MAKE SOME
2 COMMENTS HERE ON BEHALF OF LES HARDY, WHO IS PRESIDENT OF THE
3 MONTANITA VALLEY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, AND THAT IS LOCATED
4 OFF LAS VIRGINES CANYON ROAD. DEAR SUPERVISORS, OUR
5 ASSOCIATION REPRESENTS SOME 350 HOUSEHOLDS IN THE SANTA MONICA
6 MOUNTAINS AND WISHES TO GO ON RECORD IN SUPPORT OF THE LAS
7 VIRGINES HOMEOWNER'S FEDERATION POSITION SUPPORTING PLAN A-3.
8 WE OPPOSE T-1 AND S-2. WE URGE REDISTRICTING BE DONE IN A
9 COMMON SENSE MANNER, PROTECTING ESTABLISHED COMMUNITIES OF
10 INTEREST. PLEASE VOTE FOR A-3. SINCERELY, LES HARDY,
11 PRESIDENT, MONTANITA VALLEY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THANK YOU. AND
14 LET ME ALSO CALL UP PAT HEALY. PAT HEALY? BONNIE ROTH. ALLYN
15 RIFKIA? RIFKIA? JONI NOVOSEL? JONI NOVOSEL? IS SHE COMING UP?
16 OKAY. YES, SIR. YOU CAN GO ON.

17

18 **DAVID LEVY:** HI. MY NAME IS DAVID LEVY. I'VE BEEN A SANTA
19 MONICA MOUNTAINS RESIDENT IN UNINCORPORATED LOS ANGELES COUNTY
20 FOR 30 YEARS. I'M HERE TO ASK YOU TO OPPOSE THE REDISTRICTING
21 PLAN T-1 AND S-2 AND TO SUPPORT PLAN A-3. I'M ALSO A BOARD
22 MEMBER OF THE CORRAL CANYON FIRE SAFETY ALLIANCE. WE HAD A
23 DEVASTATING FIRE FOUR YEARS AGO THAT WE HAVE NOT YET RECOVERED
24 FROM. FIRE IN THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS DOESN'T KNOW FROM
25 POLITICAL BOUNDARIES. WE HAVE TO WORK TOGETHER WITH



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1 NEIGHBORING COMMUNITIES. THE ENVIRONMENTAL AND SAFETY ISSUES
2 THAT ARE UNIQUE TO THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS DON'T LEND
3 THEMSELVES TO PLANS T-1 AND S-2. DON'T BREAK UP COMMUNITY
4 RELATIONSHIPS AND SUPPORT THAT HAS BEEN BUILT UP OVER THE FOUR
5 DECADES THAT I HAVE LIVED IN DISTRICT 3. DON'T GERRYMANDER OUR
6 SAFETY. I URGE YOU TO VOTE TO SUPPORT A-3. THANK YOU.

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8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. HOLD ON ONE MOMENT. LET ME
9 ALSO CALL UP STACY SLEDGE. STACY SLEDGE? REMY O'NEILL. REMY
10 O'NEILL? STACY SIGNED UP TWICE. DR. CHRISTINE VALENCIA. DR.
11 CHRISTINE VALENCIA? VALICANA, VALICANA. JODY THOMAS. DOROTHY
12 REIK. DOROTHY. COME UP IF I CALL YOUR NAME. OKAY. YES, MA'AM.

13

14 **PAT HEALY:** HONORABLE SUPERVISORS, I'M PAT HEALY AND TODAY I'M
15 REPRESENTING MYSELF AND ALSO SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF THE MALIBU
16 COALITION FOR SLOW GROWTH. PLEASE REJECT T-1 AND S-2, AS
17 THEY'RE ENTIRELY TOO DISRUPTIVE BY REASSIGNING 3-1/2 MILLION
18 PEOPLE TO A NEW DISTRICT WHERE THEY DIDN'T VOTE FOR THEIR
19 SUPERVISORS AND HAVE NO RELATIONSHIP WITH THEM. OVER 1 MILLION
20 OF OUR CITIZENS OF THE THIRD DISTRICT, DISMEMBERING
21 COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST AND ALLIANCES THAT HAVE UNITED US FOR
22 TWO DECADES WITH OUR COMMON PRIORITY OF PROTECTING THE
23 ENVIRONMENT, ADDRESSING IMPORTANT TRANSPORTATION ISSUES,
24 SAVING OPEN SPACE, PROVIDING RECREATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR
25 ALL ANGELINOS. PLEASE ADOPT A-3 AMENDED, WHICH PROTECTS --



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1 WHICH MEETS THE VOTING ACT REQUIREMENTS, RESPECTS THE
2 INTEGRITY AND COHESIVENESS OF ALL DISTRICTS, INCLUDING THE
3 THIRD DISTRICT. THANK YOU.

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5 **JONI NOVOSEL:** MY NAME IS JONI NOVOSEL, AND I AM THE RESIDENT
6 OF DISTRICT 3 AND I AM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE VALLEY
7 CARE COMMUNITY CONSORTIUM, WHICH IS A HEALTH AND MENTAL HEALTH
8 PLANNING AGENCY. RIGHT NOW HEALTHCARE IS DEALING WITH
9 HEALTHCARE REFORM TRYING TO CREATE RELATIONSHIPS, ACCOUNTABLE
10 CARE ORGANIZATIONS AND MOVING IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION THANKS TO
11 PRESIDENT OBAMA. CURRENTLY THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY HAS A 10
12 PERCENT ASIAN POPULATION, A 3.61 PERCENT BLACK POPULATION, A
13 41.47 PERCENT HISPANIC POPULATION AND A 40 PERCENT WHITE
14 POPULATION. TO DIVIDE US INTO THREE DISTRICTS IS REALLY NOT
15 GOING TO WORK FOR THE COLLABORATIONS, THE PARTNERSHIPS, AND
16 THE STRONG WORK WE NEED TO DO TO BE COHESIVE AS WE MOVE
17 FORWARD WITH MENTAL HEALTH, ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH AND MEDICAL
18 HEALTH PLANNING. THANK YOU.

19

20 **REMY O'NEILL:** GOOD AFTERNOON. I'M REMY O'NEILL. I'M A RESIDENT
21 OF MALIBU AND THE VICE PRESIDENT OF THE CORNUCOPIA FOUNDATION.
22 I'M HERE TO SUPPORT A-3 AS AMENDED. CITIES ARE ALWAYS CHANGING
23 AND IT'S GOVERNMENT'S CHALLENGE TO RESPOND WISELY FAIRLY. BUT
24 YOU DON'T GO INTO THE HOME AND BREAK UP THE FAMILY, ESPECIALLY
25 WHEN THE FAMILY ISN'T ASKING FOR A DIVORCE. T-1 AND S-2



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1 ARBITRARILY DISLOCATE THE FAMILY CITIES OF THE THIRD DISTRICT.
2 IT BREAKS UP THE STRENGTH OF 20 YEARS OF COMMUNICATION AND
3 COOPERATION ON COMMON INTERESTS AND ISSUES. AND YOU CERTAINLY
4 DON'T EQUALIZE VOTER REPRESENTATION BY DISENFRANCHISING PEOPLE
5 OF THE THIRD DISTRICT, PARTICULARLY WHEN THIS IS A GREAT
6 EXAMPLE OF A POSITIVE DYNAMIC IN GOVERNMENT. WHAT POLITICAL
7 WISDOM WOULD MOVE 3-1/2 MILLION PEOPLE TO DISTRICTS WHERE THEY
8 DON'T WANT TO BE WITHOUT COMMON ISSUES?

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10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, MA'AM. SORRY. NEXT?

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12 **DOROTHY REIK:** HI, MY NAME IS DOROTHY REIK. I LIVE IN TOPANGA
13 CANYON. I'VE BEEN THERE FOR 40 YEARS AND I'M HERE TO SUPPORT
14 A-3. I WAS AT A WORKSHOP ON SUNDAY. IT WAS VERY INTERESTING.
15 THEY TOLD ME THE GUIDING PRINCIPLE OF THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT
16 WAS ONE PERSON, ONE VOTE. I SEE THAT S-2 AND T-1 ESPECIALLY
17 HAVE A NEW PRINCIPAL: ONE PERSON NO VOTE. SO I AM HERE TO
18 OPPOSE THAT. WHEN I MOVED TO TOPANGA, I DIDN'T REALIZE IT, BUT
19 I SOON CAME TO KNOW THAT IT'S MORE THAN LIVING THERE. YOU HAVE
20 A RESPONSIBILITY WHEN YOU LIVE IN THE MOUNTAINS IN SOUTHERN
21 CALIFORNIA. YOU HAVE TO PROTECT IT. AND YOU HAVE TO LOVE IT
22 AND YOU HAVE TO FIGHT ALL ENEMIES. AN ENEMY OF THE SANTA
23 MONICA MOUNTAINS IS THE DEVELOPERS. WHEN I LIVED THERE 15, 20
24 YEARS AGO, WE HAD A DEVELOPER WHO WANTED TO TAKE THE TOPS OFF
25 THE MOUNTAINS, PUT THEM IN THE VALLEYS. BUILD A GOLF COURSE. A



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1 GATED COMMUNITY. PUT IN A HOTEL AND CONDOMINIUMS AND CONDEMN
2 ALL THE LITTLE HOUSES ALONG THE CREEK TO MAKE ROOM FOR THE
3 RUNOFF FROM THE GOLF COURSE. IT TOOK US 15 YEARS TO FIGHT
4 THAT.

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6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. YES, MA'AM.

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8 **JODY THOMAS:** MY NAME IS JODY THOMAS. I'M THE PRESIDENT OF THE
9 OLD TOPANGA HOMEOWNERS' INCORPORATED. I REPRESENT A RURAL
10 COMMUNITY IN THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS THAT IS WITHIN THE
11 BOUNDARIES OF THE SANTA MONICA NATIONAL RECREATION AREA. WE
12 SUPPORT THE A-3 PLAN. THE NATIONAL RECREATION AREA IS ONE OF
13 THE COUNTY'S MOST VALUABLE RESOURCES AND IS UTILIZED AND
14 ACCESSIBLE TO PEOPLE OF ALL ETHNICITIES. WE STRONGLY OPPOSE
15 THE GERRYMANDERED T-1 AND S-2 REDISTRICTING PROPOSALS AS THEY
16 NEEDLESSLY DISMANTLE AND FRAGMENT OUR COMMUNITY, DESTROYING
17 MORE THAN 20 YEARS OF CONSERVATION, COOPERATION AND PROGRESS
18 THAT PROTECTS AND PRESERVES OUR RECREATION AREAS, OPEN SPACE
19 AND PRECIOUS NATURAL RESOURCES. THIS DIVERSE HABITAT IS UNDER
20 CONSTANT THREAT OF URBANIZATION AND IS ESSENTIAL TO CURRENT
21 AND FUTURE GENERATIONS OF ANGELINOS, YOUNG AND OLD. WE VOTED
22 FOR AND SUPPORTED A SUPERVISOR WHO HAS BEEN A TRUE LEADER AS
23 OUR VOICE AND YOU WHO CONTINUES TO REPRESENT OUR PRIORITIES.
24 AT WHAT POINT DO WE STOP DRAWING LINES OF SEGREGATION AND



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1 BEGIN WORKING TOGETHER RESPECTFULLY AS ALL CITIZENS OF THE
2 HUMAN RACE? THANK YOU.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP
5 STEPHANIE MARDESICH AND MARK MASOAKA. AND JESS THOMAS. YES,
6 SIR.

7

8 **BRUCE ROYER:** YES. HELLO. MY NAME IS BRUCE ROYER. I AM STRONGLY
9 OPPOSED TO T-1 AND S-2 AND IN SUPPORT OF A-3 AMENDED. I'M A
10 RESIDENT OF TOPANGA CANYON AND A BUSINESS OWNER. I'M PRESIDENT
11 OF THE TOPANGA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND I SIT ON THE TOPANGA
12 EMERGENCY TASKFORCE. WE HAVE COORDINATED MANY, MANY ACTIVITIES
13 AND GOALS WITH NEIGHBORING COMMUNITIES AND THE SANTA MONICA
14 ORGANIZATIONS FOR EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS AND OTHER WAYS. AND
15 WE'RE VERY PROUD OF THE SUCCESSES AND ACHIEVEMENTS THAT
16 RESULTED FROM A DEEP AND MEANINGFUL LONG-TERM COLLABORATION
17 BETWEEN OUR COMMUNITY, THE FIRST RESPONDERS, AND OUR ELECTED
18 OFFICIAL. WE VERY MUCH APPRECIATE OUR REPRESENTATIVE
19 GOVERNMENT THAT IS DOING AN EXCELLENT JOB, A PROACTIVE JOB OF
20 MEETING THE CHALLENGES OF OUR AREA. I STRONGLY OPPOSE THE T-1
21 AND S-2 MAPS THAT WOULD DEPRIVE OF US A RIGHTFULLY ELECTED
22 REPRESENTATION AND THREATEN THE VERY SUBSTANTIAL
23 ACCOMPLISHMENTS THAT WE'VE ACHIEVED. PLEASE VOTE FOR A-3.

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25 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. YES, MA'AM.



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STACY SLEDGE: HI, I'M STACY SLEDGE, PRESIDENT OF THE TOPANGA TOWN COUNCIL IN DISTRICT 3 AND WE OPPOSE T-1 AND S-2. AT THE LAST HEARING, I SPOKE IN DETAIL OF THE INTERCONNECTED PROGRAMS TOPANGA SHARES WITH ITS BEACH MOUNTAIN AND VALLEY SIDE NEIGHBORS. I DO REALIZE MANY OF OUR SANTA MONICA MOUNTAIN PROGRAMS ARE A RESULT OF THIS BOARD'S COLLECTIVE EFFORTS. AND WE THANK YOU. THE CONFUSION IS: WHY AFTER THIS BOARD'S OBVIOUS DEDICATION AND FINANCIAL COMMITMENT TO THE MOUNTAIN AND BEACH CAUSES AND TO THE SAFETY OF THOSE WHO LIVE AND WORK IN THESE COMMON AREAS OF INTEREST, WHY PROPOSE, SUPPORT OR DEFEND ANY REDISTRICTING PLAN THAT WOULD COMPLETELY DISRUPT, DISCONNECT OR DESTROY THESE EFFORTS? WITH DUE RESPECT, THE T-1 AND S-2 PLANS IS LIKE PLANTING A BOMB IN THE MIDDLE OF LOS ANGELES WHOSE EXPLOSION DISPLACES 3-1/2 MILLION PEOPLE UNNECESSARILY HOPING WE SURVIVE WITH NO CASUALTIES OR SEVERE CONSEQUENCES. THE PEOPLE IN THE THIRD DISTRICT HAVE TRUSTED YOUR COLLECTIVE JUDGMENT OVER THE LAST 20 YEARS. PLEASE DO NOT COMPLETELY DESTROY THE MAJORITY OF DISTRICTS TO ENABLE ONE. THANK YOU.

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SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: HOLD ON. LET ME ALSO CALL UP JESSICA DUBOFF. YES, MA'AM.

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STEPHANIE MARDESICH: HELLO. I'M STEPHANIE MARDESICH FROM SAN PEDRO, BORN AND RAISED THERE. I'VE SPOKEN TO YOU BEFORE, I'VE

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1 WRITTEN TO YOU SUPPORTING A-3. WHAT'S ON MY MIND TODAY AND
2 HERE I AM AGAIN, FEELING A BIT OF A MINORITY AS A SINGLE WHITE
3 FEMALE, IS THAT THERE'S NOT MUCH EMPATHY BEING DEMONSTRATED.
4 MY GRANDPARENTS AND GREAT GRANDPARENTS CAME HERE FROM EUROPE
5 TO BE AMERICANS. THEY TAUGHT THEIR CHILDREN TO BE AMERICANS
6 AND SPEAK ENGLISH. MY LATE MOTHER WAS A TEACHER, TEACHING
7 E.S.L. TO HER STUDENTS FROM ALL OVER THE WORLD AND IN
8 WILMINGTON TO ELEMENTARY STUDENTS. SHE TRULY BELIEVED THAT
9 ENGLISH IS OUR FIRST LANGUAGE TO UNITE OUR COUNTRY. WHAT I
10 THINK WE NEED TO CONSIDER AGAIN IS EMPATHY. WE ARE AMERICAN. I
11 AM SO PRIVILEGED TO BE HERE. I ECHO ALL THE POSITIVE COMMENTS
12 SUPPORTING A-3. BUT I RESPECT THOSE WHO ARE IN OPPOSITION. AND
13 WE ALL HAVE A RIGHT TO BE HERE. BUT WE HAVE TO CONSIDER THAT
14 WORD EMPATHY AND WHAT IT MEANS ACROSS ALL THESE BOUNDARIES AND
15 STICK WITH THE DISTRICTS THAT WE HAVE AND KEEP WORKING.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP RAMONA
18 ESPINOSA AND ANGELO LOGAN. YES, SIR. DOESN'T MATTER.

19

20 **MARK MASAOKA:** MY MAKE IS MARK MASAOKA WITH THE ASIAN-PACIFIC
21 POLICY AND PLANNING COUNCIL. THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT PERTAINS TO
22 ASIAN AND PACIFIC ISLANDERS, AS WELL. WE OPPOSE S-2 AND T-1
23 BECAUSE IT WILL DIVIDE OUR COMMUNITIES AND IT WILL DILUTE AND
24 SUBMERGE OUR POLITICAL INFLUENCE AND OPPORTUNITIES AND VIOLATE
25 THE SAME PRINCIPLES OF THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT WHICH OTHERS ARE



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1 ASSERTING. I ALSO WANT TO SAY THAT WE APPRECIATE THE COMMENTS
2 OF SUPERVISORS RIDLEY-THOMAS AND MOLINA FOR SAYING THAT EVEN
3 THOUGH THERE MAY BE DIFFERENCES BETWEEN SECTORS OF OUR
4 COMMUNITIES, THAT THIS NEED NOT BE A WIDER OR LONGER DISPUTE.
5 AND THAT ALL OUR COMMUNITIES AS WELL AS IF REST OF THIS COUNTY
6 RETAIN MANY COMMON INTERESTS THAT WE NEED TO WORK FOR.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP
9 LAWRENCE LUE.

10

11 **JESS THOMAS:** I'M JESS THOMAS, I LIVE IN AGORA HILLS, BUT I
12 WOULD LIKE TO VOICE MY SUPPORT OF A-3 WITH A BRIEF FAMILY
13 VIGNETTE. THREE YEARS AGO MY DAUGHTER MARRIED INTO THE MENDOZA
14 FAMILY OF ALHAMBRA. BOTH PARENTS OF MY SON-IN-LAW WERE
15 CHILDREN OF FIRST GENERATION IMMIGRANTS. MY NEW FRIEND, MY
16 SON-IN-LAW'S FATHER ANTONIO AND I ARGUE POLITICS QUITE A BIT
17 AS THE TEQUILA FLOWS DURING GET-TOGETHERS. HE WILL ARGUE VERY
18 VEHEMENTLY ABOUT THE FOIBLES OF JERRY BROWN AND ARNOLD BUT HE
19 HAS NO IDEA WHO THE SUPERVISOR OF HIS DISTRICT IS OR WHAT THIS
20 BOARD ACTUALLY DOES.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

23

24 **JESS THOMAS:** YOU'RE WELCOME.

25



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YES, MA'AM.

2

3 **GUADALUPE ESPINOSA:** MY NAME IS GAUDALUPE ESPINOSA, I'M
4 SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF MYSELF AND MY MOTHER. 1932, BECAUSE OF
5 THE ACTIONS OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,
6 BOTH OF MY GRANDMOTHERS AND THEIR AMERICAN-BORN CHILDREN WERE
7 SENT OUT OF THIS COUNTRY AND DID NOT RETURN UNTIL MANY YEARS
8 LATER. MY GRANDMOTHERS, FELICITAS CASTRO AND -- WERE LIVING
9 LEGALLY IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY WITH THEIR AMERICAN-BORN
10 CHILDREN. MY MOTHER WAS SIX YEARS OLD, MY FATHER WAS EIGHT. MY
11 PARENTS MET IN -- CALIFORNIA WHERE MY GRANDMOTHERS WERE FORCED
12 TO RAISE THEIR CHILDREN, THEIR AMERICAN-BORN CHILDREN IN THE
13 MOST INHUMANE CIRCUMSTANCES. THEY SUFFERED HUNGER, LACK OF
14 DECENT LIVING CONDITIONS, DID NOT GET THE EDUCATION THEIR
15 AMERICAN-BORN CITIZENSHIP ENTITLED THEM TO, WORKED IN ORDER TO
16 FEED THEIR YOUNGER BROTHERS AND SISTERS. MY MOTHER, RAMONA
17 ESPINOSA, WAS BORN IN SAN DIMAS, HAD BEEN BAPTIZED AT LA
18 PLACITA AND WAS LIVING ON HAMILL STREET IN BELVEDERE GARDENS.
19 AS CALIFORNIA SENATE BILL 670, THE REPATRIATION APOLOGY ACT
20 WHICH WAS APPROVED IN 2005 STATES -- IN 1929 GOVERNMENT
21 AUTHORITIES TOOK AN AGGRESSIVE PROGRAM TO FORCIBLY REMOVE
22 PERSONS OF MEXICAN ANCESTRY FROM THE UNITED STATES. IN
23 CALIFORNIA ALONE, APPROXIMATELY 400,000 AMERICAN CITIZENS AND
24 LEGAL RESIDENTS OF MEXICAN ANCESTRY WERE FORCED TO GO TO
25 MEXICO. IN TOTAL IT IS ESTIMATED THAT 2 MILLION PEOPLE OF



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1 MEXICAN ANCESTRY WERE FORCIBLY RELOCATED TO MEXICO, 1.2
2 MILLION OF WHOM HAD BEEN BORN IN THE UNITED STATES. THROUGHOUT
3 CALIFORNIA, MASSIVE RAIDS WERE CONDUCTED ON MEXICAN AMERICAN
4 COMMUNITIES RESULTING IN THE CLANDESTINE REMOVAL OF THOUSANDS
5 OF PEOPLE, MANY OF WHOM WERE NEVER ABLE TO RETURN TO THE
6 UNITED STATES, THEIR COUNTRY OF BIRTH. IT IS OUR BELIEF THAT
7 IF WE HAD HAD THE PROPER REPRESENTATION ON THE LOS ANGELES
8 COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IN 1932, OUR FAMILY'S FATE WOULD
9 HAVE BEEN DIFFERENT. IT IS FOR THIS REASON THAT WE ASK YOU TO
10 REJECT THE A-3 MAP. WE FEEL THIS MAP DOES NOT ENSURE THE
11 PROPER REPRESENTATION OF THE LATINO COMMUNITY AS IT SHOULD BE
12 REPRESENTED ON THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME CALL UP ALSO
15 LAWRENCE LUE. LAWRENCE? YES, SIR.

16

17 **ANGELO LOGAN:** HELLO. MY NAME IS ANGELO LOGAN I'M EXECUTIVE
18 DIRECTOR OF EAST YARD COMMUNITIES FOR ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE.
19 AND I'M HERE TO VOICE MY SUPPORT FOR THE T-1 AND S-2 MAPS.
20 THIS WOULD SUPPORT THE TWO LATINO OPPORTUNITY DISTRICTS. NOT A
21 LATINO SUPERVISOR, JUST A FAIR OPPORTUNITY TO ELECT A PERSON
22 THAT BEST REPRESENT THEM. AS SOMEONE WHO ORGANIZES
23 PREDOMINANTLY URBAN COMMUNITIES, THIS MAKES A LOT OF SENSE TO
24 ME. MOST LIKELY A FAMILY FROM WALNUT PARK LIVES IN A DENSELY
25 POPULATED URBAN INDUSTRIAL NEIGHBORHOOD MUCH LIKE A FAMILY



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1 FROM SAN FERNANDO. BOTH FAMILIES NEED HIGHER THAN AVERAGE
2 RELIEF FROM TRAFFIC CONGESTION AND AIR POLLUTION. BOTH
3 FAMILIES NEED MORE PARKS, MORE OPEN SPACE AND MORE
4 OPPORTUNITIES TO EXPLORE WITHIN AND OUTSIDE THE L.A. COUNTY.
5 BOTH FAMILIES FACE A VERY SIMILAR CHALLENGE. AND ACCORDING TO
6 THE LATEST CENSUS NUMBERS, BOTH FAMILIES DESERVE THE
7 OPPORTUNITY TO ELECT MORE ADVOCATES TO THIS BOARD WHO WILL
8 HELP THEM MEET THESE CHALLENGES. ONLY THE T-1 AND S-2 MAPS ARE
9 DRAWN TO REFLECT THIS REALITY. AND IF WE ARE SERIOUS ABOUT
10 MAKING SUBSTANTIVE POSITIVE CHANGE TO OUR COMMUNITIES MOST IN
11 NEED, IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT WE ACCEPT THIS REALITY. SO I URGE
12 YOU TO REJECT THE A-3 MAP WHICH PRESERVES THE STATUS QUO AND
13 PASS THE T-1 OR S-2 MAPS TODAY. THANK YOU.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.] LET ME ALSO
16 CALL UP MICHAEL LOPEZ, MICHAEL LOPEZ, EDDIE SIERRA AND FRED
17 JOHNSON. YES, SIR.

18

19 **LAWRENCE LUE:** MAYOR ANTONOVICH, SUPERVISOR MOLINA, SUPERVISOR
20 RIDLEY-THOMAS, SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, SUPERVISOR KNABE, GOOD
21 AFTERNOON. I'M LAWRENCE LUE OF THE CHINATOWN SERVICE CENTER.
22 AND ON BEHALF OF THE COMMUNITY OF CHINESE RESIDING IN
23 CHINATOWN AND THE SURROUNDING NEIGHBORHOODS OF ECHO PARK AND
24 LINCOLN HEIGHTS, I ASK THAT YOU ADOPT THE A-3 AMENDED PLAN.
25 THE ALTERNATE PLANS S-2 AND T-1 PROPOSE TO BREAK OFF AND



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1 SEPARATE THE CHINESE COMMUNITY IN CHINATOWN AREA FROM THE REST
2 OF THE MAJOR CHINESE COMMUNITY WHICH RESIDES TO THE EAST IN
3 THE ADJACENT SAN GABRIEL VALLEY, WHILE PLAN A-3 RESPECTS AND
4 PRESERVES THAT CONNECTION AND THEIR INFLUENCE TOGETHER ON
5 BEHALF OF ALL CHINESE IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. PLANS S-2
6 AND T-1 PROPOSE TO GRAFT THE SIGNIFICANT PORTION OF THE
7 CHINESE COMMUNITY TO A NEW DISTRICT THAT EXTENDS NORTH OF
8 SYLMAR. WHILE SIGNIFICANT IN SIZE AND IMPORTANCE WITH RESPECT
9 TO THE L.A. COUNTY CHINESE COMMUNITY, THE GREATER CHINESE
10 COMMUNITY WILL BE NUMERICALLY AND CULTURALLY OVERWHELMED IN
11 THIS NEW DISTRICT.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

14

15 **LAWRENCE LUE:** JUST PLEASE ADOPT IT.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SIR. LET ME ALSO CALL UP
18 EDDIE SIERRA AND MICHAEL LOPEZ. YES, SIR.

19

20 **SAM CORDOVA:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS SAM CORDOVA. I
21 AM HERE TO REPRESENT MYSELF AND POSSIBLY MY WIFE. I WANT TO
22 THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THE MAKEUP OF THE BOARD THAT NOW
23 EXISTS. I AM FOR A-3-1. LET ME TELL YOU WHY I AM HERE
24 PRIMARILY IS BECAUSE I HEARD THAT THOSE WHO ARE OPPOSED TO A-
25 3-1 WERE BEING CALLED RACISTS! I SUGGEST THAT THAT IS A



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1 FALSEHOOD. I HAVE BEEN FIGHTING FOR LATINO AND HISPANIC VOICE
2 FOR 51 YEARS. BUT I NEVER USED THAT WORD AGAINST ANYONE. THE
3 BOARD AS CONSTITUTED NOW HAS BEEN DOING A GOOD JOB. I WANT TO
4 KEEP IT THAT WAY. ZEV, THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET ME JUST EDITORIALIZE. SAM WAS THE
7 CHAIR OF THE COMMITTEE THAT LED THE EFFORT WHEN WE REBUILT
8 OLIVE VIEW HOSPITAL. AND WE APPRECIATE SAM'S LEADERSHIP IN
9 THAT EFFORT BECAUSE THAT HOSPITAL IS TODAY SERVING THE SAN
10 FERNANDO VALLEY AND THE ANTELOPE VALLEY AND PARTS OF SANTA
11 CLARITA VALLEY AS WELL. SO THANK YOU FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP IN
12 THAT EFFORT.

13

14 **SAM CORDOVA:** THANK YOU, MIKE. AND YOU WERE AN EXCELLENT
15 SUPERVISOR WHEN YOU REPRESENTED US. WE HATED TO LOSE YOU. BUT
16 WE GOT ZEV. AND HE'S GOOD. [LAUGHTER.]

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THAT'S ABOUT THE BEST I'M GOING TO DO.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YES, SIR.

21

22 **EDDIE SIERRA:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME'S EDDIE SIERRA. I'M
23 GOING TO REPRESENT RANCHO -- THERE. RANCHO HAS DONE A LOT FOR
24 ME. BEEN PART OF THE COMMUNITY FOR A WHILE. ACTUALLY WORKED
25 THERE. I GET TREATED THERE. I REMEMBER GOT SEVEN YEARS SPINAL



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1 CORD INJURY. I SUPPORT A-3. I'D JUST LIKE TO THANK YOU ALL FOR
2 PRESENTING A-3 AND HAVING THAT AS A PART FOR DON KNABE. SO WE
3 JUST DON'T WANT HIM TO LEAVE BECAUSE HE'S BEEN A PART OF
4 RANCHO FOR MANY YEARS. WE JUST WANT TO KEEP HIM GOING.
5 RANCHO'S BEEN OPEN FOR 100 YEARS OR SO. WE'D LIKE TO HAVE IT
6 OPEN FOR ANOTHER 100.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. BEFORE YOU SPEAK, LET ME
9 ALSO CALL UP JORGE CORRALEJO. JESUS TORRES. OR JESSE TORRES.
10 AND FELIPE LOZANO. YES, SIR.

11

12 **MICHAEL LOPEZ:** YES. MY NAME IS MICHAEL LOPEZ. AND I'VE BEEN IN
13 A WHEELCHAIR SINCE -- FOR 18 YEARS NOW AND RANCHO LOS AMIGOS
14 AND WITH THE HELP OF DON KNABE KEEPING IT OPEN, HELPING ME
15 BECOME A NO BARRIERS MENTOR. NO BARRIERS MENTOR IS ONE THAT
16 COUNSELS WITH DISABLED, HELPS THEM WITH THEIR GOALS,
17 PROCEEDING WITH JOBS, SCHOOL, ET CETERA. AND I WAS ALSO
18 MENTORED ALSO, TOO, BY NO BARRIERS AND WITH THE HELP OF MR.
19 DON KNABE KEEPING RANCHO LOS AMIGOS OPEN, I'M NOW A WHEELCHAIR
20 BOUND MACHINIST, CERTIFIED WHEELCHAIR BOUND MACHINIST. AND I
21 WANT TO THANK MR. DONE KNABE. THAT WAY I CAN HELP OTHERS ALSO.
22 I'M ALSO A VOLUNTEER THERE RIGHT NOW.

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WHO
25 WANTS TO? YOU'RE NEXT? GO ON.



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FELIPE AGREDANO-LOZANO: GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS FELIPE AGREDANO-LOZANO, AND I'M HERE TO OPPOSE A-3. I'VE WORKED AND LIVED IN DISTRICT 5 WITH SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. I WORKED IN PASADENA. LIVED IN WEST COVENA. BEEN A PROFESSOR AT CAL STATE CSUN, OR CALIFORNIA UNIVERSITY NORTHRIDGE, IN SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH'S DISTRICT AND A FORMER ELECTED OFFICIAL IN SAN GABRIEL VALLEY. I NOW LIVE IN BOYLE HEIGHTS. I'VE SEEN THE DIVERSITY, HOW WE VOTED IN EAST L.A., BOYLE HEIGHTS FOR JEWISH LESBIAN ELECTED OFFICIALS AT THE STATE LEVEL, CHINESE AMERICAN JUDY CHU ELECTED TO THE ASSEMBLY AND CONGRESS, ALSO IN BOYLE HEIGHTS. AND I'M ASKING YOU HERE TO FOLLOW THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT. IT IS INSULTING AND PREPOSTEROUS TO ASSUME THAT LATINOS WILL NOT VOTE FOR DIVERSITY AND WILL ONLY VOTE FOR LATINOS. BUT IT IS A FAIR AND A JUST THING TO SUPPORT THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT. SO DO THE RIGHT THING AND SUPPORT THE CREATION OF A SECOND DISTRICT THAT WOULD REPRESENT THIS COMMUNITY FAIRLY. THANK YOU.

19

SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP DAN HOFFMAN, DAN HOFFMAN AND FELIPE LOZANO. YES SIR.

22

JESSE TORRES: MY NAME IS JESSE TORRES. I SERVE AS PRESIDENT AND C.E.O. OF PANAMERICAN BANK WHICH IS CALIFORNIA'S OLDEST LATINO-OWNED BANK. I APPEAR BEFORE YOU TODAY IN OPPOSITION OF



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1 MAP A-3 AND I URGE YOU TODAY TO VOTE IN FAVOR OF MAP T-1 OR
2 MAP S-2. DILUTING ANYONE'S VOTING POWER IS A SERIOUS VIOLATION
3 OF BOTH THE LETTER AND THE SPIRIT OF OUR LAWS. BUT DILUTING
4 LATINO VOTING POWER IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY IN PARTICULAR WOULD
5 BE A REPEAT OF A CHAPTER IN OUR HISTORY THAT I THOUGHT WE
6 WOULD WANT TO AVOID. FROM 1950 TO 1990 THIS BOARD OF
7 SUPERVISORS DELIBERATELY DILUTED THE LATINO VOTES. AND AS THE
8 HEAD OF PANAMERICAN BANK I CAN TESTIFY TO THE EFFECTS THAT
9 THAT KIND OF VOTE DILUTION CAN HAVE ON THE COMMUNITY AT LARGE.
10 BOTTOM LINE, IT WEAKENED THE COMMUNITY. A THRIVING PRIVATE
11 SECTOR IS VITAL TO THE HEALTH OF A COMMUNITY. BUT SO IS A
12 FUNCTIONING AND RESPONSIVE PUBLIC SECTOR. UNTIL A FEDERAL
13 COURT JUDGE REDREW COUNTY LINES FAIRLY BACK IN 1990, OUR
14 COMMUNITY SIMPLY DID NOT HAVE A STRONG PUBLIC SECTOR.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SIR. YES, SIR.

17

18 **JORGE CORRALEJO:** BUENOS TARDES. GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS
19 JORGE CORRALEJO. I'M THE CHAIRMAN AND C.E.O. OF THE LATINO
20 BUSINESS CHAMBER OF THE GREATER LOS ANGELES, ONE OF THE
21 LARGEST LATINO BUSINESS CHAMBERS IN THE COUNTRY. WE ARE
22 ACTIVELY ENGAGED IN POLICY ISSUES ON A NATIONAL AND STATEWIDE
23 LEVEL. WE PUBLISH IN PUBLICATIONS LOCALLY, REGIONALLY AND
24 NATIONALLY ON ISSUES WITH REGARDS TO MINORITY PARTICIPATION
25 BUT ALSO WITH REGARDS TO WOMEN PARTICIPATION, ALSO WITH



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1 REGARDS TO DISABLED VETERANS, ALSO WITH REGARDS TO SMALL
2 BUSINESS OWNERS OF ANY RACE. SO WE, ALTHOUGH IT IS LATINO LED,
3 WE ARE VERY INCLUSIONARY AND WE ARE BUILT UPON A CONCEPT OF
4 TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE, WHICH INCLUDES SERVICE TO ANY SMALL
5 BUSINESS OWNER AND MEDIUM SIZED BUSINESS OWNER. WE SERVE ALL.
6 WE ENCOURAGE AND SERVE ALL. WE ARE INCLUSIVE AND WE ARE
7 ASKING, WE OPPOSE A-3. WE ARE ASKING THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
8 TO BE INCLUSIVE OF LATINOS. I MEAN ALL YOU NEED TO DO IS TAKE
9 A LOOK AT THESE STATISTICS AND THEY TELL YOU WHAT THE FUTURE
10 IS, NOT JUST THE CENSUS DATA THAT SHOWS US GROWING AT THE RATE
11 OF 10 PERCENT A YEAR. HOWEVER LOOK AT THE SCHOOL DISTRICT THAT
12 WILL TELL A DIFFERENT STORY.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME CALL UP ANGELO
15 LOGAN, DAVID CRAFT, AND GUADALUPE ESPINOSA. YES, SIR.

16

17 **DAN HOFFMAN:** MAYOR ANTONOVICH AND SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS DAN
18 HOFFMAN AND I'M HERE ON BEHALF OF THE BUSINESS FEDERATION.
19 THAT IS THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BUSINESS FEDERATION. WE
20 REPRESENT 92 BUSINESS ORGANIZATIONS THAT REPRESENTS 150,000
21 BUSINESSES IN L.A. COUNTY, WHICH EMPLOY 2 MILLION PEOPLE. THE
22 FOURTH DISTRICT IS ONE OF THE MOST DIVERSE IN L.A. COUNTY,
23 REPRESENTING WHITES, LATINOS, ASIAN AMERICANS, AFRICAN-
24 AMERICANS AND MANY OTHER MINORITY GROUPS SHARING THE SAME
25 CONCERNS. PLAN A-3 IS ABSOLUTELY DEMOGRAPHICALLY APPROPRIATE



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1 AND THE LEAST DISRUPTIVE TO CONSTITUENTS. PLANS S-2 AND T-1
2 MOVE MILLIONS NEEDLESSLY AND ULTIMATELY WE HOPE YOU AGREE IT
3 IS ABOUT REPRESENTATION AND NOT RACE. AS THE EXECUTIVE
4 DIRECTOR FOR THE WILMINGTON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND ON BEHALF
5 OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS, WE ALSO UNANIMOUSLY SUPPORT A-3. AND
6 MAY I SAY THAT TO SAY THAT I'M VERY PLEASED TO SEE SO MANY OF
7 MY NEIGHBORS HERE IN SUPPORT OF A-3 ALSO. THANK YOU VERY MUCH
8 FOR YOUR TIME.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP LINDA
11 THOMPSON. LINDA THOMPSON? LINDA SIGNED UP TWICE. TWO
12 THOMPSONS. SAM HAS ALREADY SPOKEN. LET ME CALL UP DAVID GREEN.
13 DAVID GREEN. RAMONA ESPINOSA. RAMONA ESPINOSA. ONE SECOND.
14 OKAY. MARY ELLEN STROTE? SHE ALREADY SPOKE? AND DAVID BROWN.
15 DAVID BROWN? YES, SIR. YOU'RE ON. OKAY.

16

17 **DAVID KRAFT:** MY NAME IS DAVID KRAFT. I'M PRESIDENT OF
18 BELVEDERE PARK YOUTH FISHING CLUB. THIS IS A PICTURE OF OUR
19 LAKE. IT WAS A HOLE BEFORE MOLINA, GLORIA MOLINA GOT IT. IT
20 WAS A HOLE. AND I HAVE AN 11-YEAR-OLD BOY CATCHING ALL THE
21 DEAD FISH. FISH AND GAME WILL COME AND FILL IT UP AND THE NEXT
22 DAY THEY WERE DEAD. SO I HAD A LITTLE KID HERE 11 YEARS OLD,
23 RACKING UP ALL THESE DEAD FISH AND IT STUNK THE WHOLE LAKE AND
24 IT WAS LIKE THAT FOR A LONG TIME. I TOOK A COUPLE OF PICTURES,
25 I TOOK IT GLORIA, MY SUPERVISOR GLORIA MOLINA'S OFFICE AND



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1 IMMEDIATELY SHE CLOSED IT DOWN BECAUSE THAT'S A FOOD SOURCE
2 FOR OUR COMMUNITY. AND ANYBODY COULD COME AND FISH. IT USED TO
3 BE FULL OF OIL. IT WAS A CATCH BASEMENT FROM THE OIL, FROM THE
4 STORMS. GLORIA TOOK OVER AND SHE CLEANED IT UP. SHE CLEANED IT
5 ALL UP. AND HERE'S WHAT SHE REDEDICATED THE LAKE TO EAST LOS
6 ANGELES.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU MR. KRAFT. THANK YOU VERY
9 MUCH. [APPLAUSE.] ONCE AGAIN, I'M GOING TO ASK YOU TO LEAVE IF
10 YOU APPLAUD. USE YOUR HANDS TO WAVE. BUT YOU'RE TAKING UP A
11 LOT OF TIME. WE'RE GOING TO BE HERE TO ABOUT 9 O'CLOCK
12 TONIGHT. AND OUR PATIENCE IS GOING TO GET VERY THIN. JOAN KAY?
13 MARY ELLEN HAS ALREADY SPOKEN. MARTIN SEDA? MARTIN? AND KAREN
14 NAVARRETE? YES, MA'AM.

15

16 **LINDA THOMPSON:** I'M LINDA THOMPSON, DISTRICT 3. LAST TIME I
17 WAS HERE, YOU SHOWED THIS WONDERFUL CHART THAT SO CLEARLY
18 SHOWED THAT ALL THREE PLANS MET ALL THE CRITERIA IN THE VOTING
19 RIGHTS ACT. IN FACT, OUR DISTRICT LOOKED EVEN A LITTLE BIT,
20 THE PLAN AS A-3 IS NOW PROPOSED, LOOKS EVEN A LITTLE BETTER
21 THAN THE OTHERS. SO THE ONLY PLAN THAT NEEDS THE AMERICAN
22 STANDARD OF E PLURIBUS UNUM AND THAT'S RIGHT HERE ON OUR
23 DOLLAR IN CASE ANYONE HASN'T LOOKED AT A DOLLAR RECENTLY
24 CLEARLY, IT WOULD CONTINUE, A-3 WOULD CONTINUE OUR COUNTY'S
25 BEAUTIFUL TRADITION OF REPRESENTING EVERYONE WITHOUT BIAS WITH



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1 THE EXTRA BONUS OF PRESERVING OUR NATURAL RESOURCES FOR FUTURE
2 GENERATIONS. SO FOR THE RECORD, I OPPOSE PLANS T-1 AND S-2 AND
3 PLEASE, I PLEAD WITH YOU EXERCISE YOUR LEADERSHIP TO SUPPORT
4 PLAN A-3.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. LET ME ALSO CALL
7 UP PAULA YANEZ? AND KAREN -- WE HAVE KAREN HERE. GAIL
8 MCDONALD? GAIL MCDONALD? OKAY. YES, MA'AM. YOU'RE ON.

9

10 **DIANNE PORCHIA:** OH, SORRY. MY NAME IS DIANNE PORCHIA, MY NAME
11 WASN'T CALLED BUT I'M HERE TO READ SOMETHING BY DAVID GREEN
12 THAT HAD TO LEAVE. HE'S A TOPANGA RESIDENT LIKE MYSELF. THIS
13 IS FROM MR. GREEN. "I SYMPATHIZE WITH THE LATINO CAUSES AND
14 FEEL THAT THEIR CONTRIBUTION AND ASSIMILATION INTO LOS ANGELES
15 CULTURE IS IMPORTANT. BUT THAT DOES NOT MEAN THAT SEPARATE
16 ZONES SHOULD BE CREATED BY ETHNICITY. I ALSO BELIEVE THAT ZEV
17 YAROSLAVSKY CAREFULLY CONSIDERS FACTS AND RAMIFICATIONS BEFORE
18 ENDORSING OUR ISSUES. THEREFORE I SUPPORT THE REVISED A-3 PLAN
19 AS INTRODUCED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE. MAY I ALSO READ MY
20 STATEMENTS SINCE I'M UP HERE? YES? NO? YEAH. OKAY, THANK YOU.
21 SO MY NAME IS DIANNE PORCHIA. I AM A SECOND GENERATION
22 RESIDENT IN DISTRICT 3. I'M A SMALL BUSINESS OWNER AND CURRENT
23 RESIDENT OF TOPANGA CANYON. I'M HERE TO OPPOSE T-1 AND S-2 AND
24 IN SUPPORT OF A-3. AS PART OF THE NATIONAL MOVEMENT TO LEAVE
25 NO CHILD INDOORS, I'M A MEMBER OF THE CHILDREN IN NATURES



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1 NETWORK. I WORK WITH NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS BRINGING CHILDREN
2 OF AT-RISK FAMILIES TO OUR CITY TO OUR MOUNTAIN COMMUNITY
3 TREASURE, THE TOPANGA STATE PARK. THE ISSUES OF OUR SANTA
4 MONICA MOUNTAIN RANGE IN DISTRICT 3 ARE COMPLETELY DIFFERENT
5 ISSUES THAT CONCERN THE SOUTH BAY CITIES OF LONG BEACH. OUR
6 CURRENT SUPERVISOR ZEV YAROSLAVSKY FOR WHOM WE VOTED
7 UNDERSTANDS OUR UNIQUE RURAL WILDERNESS, MOUNTAIN GEOGRAPHY,
8 ITS HIGH-RISK EMERGENCY SAFETY NEEDS AND WILDERNESS
9 PRESERVATION NEEDS. I PLEAD YOU TO NOT SPLIT UP AND FRAGMENT
10 THE HUGE STRIDES WE'VE MADE IN CREATING AND MAINTAINING OUR
11 CURRENT COMMUNITY COHESIVE SUPPORT OF RESOURCES. THANK YOU.

12

13 **DAVID BROWN:** YES, THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. DAVID BROWN. SUPPORT
14 A-3 AS AMENDED. I WOULD BE ONE OF THE 3-1/2 MILLION WHO WOULD
15 BE RELOCATED TO A NEW SUPERVISOR. I THINK THIS IS VERY
16 DESTRUCTIVE IN GENERAL BECAUSE WE WANT, AS A TEACHER FOR 40
17 YEARS. WE WANT OUR STUDENTS TO BOND WITH THEIR ELECTED
18 OFFICIALS, TO UNDERSTAND THEM, TO KNOW WHO THEY ARE. FREQUENT
19 CHANGES OF REPRESENTATION FRACTURES PUBLIC CONTACT WITH
20 GOVERNMENT. TO ME IT'S A CIVIL RIGHTS ISSUE. T-1 IS A CIVIL
21 RIGHTS ISSUE. I WOULD BE DENIED THE RIGHT TO VOTE IN EFFECT
22 FOR A SUPERVISOR OF MY CHOICE. MY SUPERVISOR WOULD BE MOVED
23 30, 40 MILES AWAY WITHOUT MY CONSENT, WITHOUT MY VOTE, WITHOUT
24 MY APPROVAL. THAT DOESN'T MEAN I'M NOT IN SYMPATHY WITH WHAT



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1 T-1 AND S-2 ARE TRYING TO ACCOMPLISH. BUT TO ME THAT'S THE
2 WRONG WAY TO DO IT. YEAH.

3

4 **GAIL MCDONALD:** HONORABLE SUPERVISORS, I'M GAIL MCDONALD. I'M
5 HERE ON BEHALF OF THE TOPANGA WATERSHED COMMITTEE BOARD.
6 PLEASE HEAR US AND OPPOSE T-1 AND S-2 AND SUPPORT A-3 AMENDED.
7 KEEP INTACT THE CITIES OF COMMON INTEREST ON OUR CRITICALLY
8 DELICATE WATERSHED THAT IS AT RISK IF THE DECADES OF
9 COOPERATION DON'T REMAIN CONSTANT. I URGE YOUR SUPPORT OF THE
10 A-3 PLAN.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. AND THE LET ME ALSO CALL UP
13 TUI, GUADALUPE TIU. AND WENDY FORESTER. WENDY FORESTER. AND
14 JILL BANKS BARAD? AND STEVE MARTINEZ? STEVE MARTINEZ? YES,
15 MA'AM. GO ON.

16

17 **KAREN NAVARRETE:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS KAREN NAVARRETE. I
18 WORK AT ST. JOSEPH'S CENTER IN VENICE PROVIDING COMMUNITY
19 SERVICES TO THE MOST AT-RISK POPULATION. I URGE YOU TO SEEK AN
20 ALTERNATIVE THAT DOES NOT DISRUPT THE SERVICES THAT WE PROVIDE
21 TO THE MOST AT-RISK POPULATION. THANK YOU.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. YES, MA'AM.

24



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1 **PAULA YANEZ:** HELLO. GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS PAULA YANEZ.
2 AND I WORK AT LA CAUSA, A YOUTH-BUILT CHARTER SCHOOL OF
3 CALIFORNIA. IT'S A SCHOOL FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS IN EAST LOS
4 ANGELES. AND I AM HERE IN SUPPORT OF GLORIA MOLINA AND HER
5 PLAN T-1. AND ALSO THAT I OPPOSE A-3 FOR THE REASON THAT WE
6 NEED TO UPHOLD THE U.S. CONSTITUTION AND FOLLOW THE VOTERS'
7 RIGHTS ACT. THIS INFORMATION IS BASED ON THE CENSUS, SO IT'S
8 NOW TIME TO ADD ANOTHER PERSON TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
9 BASED ON THE DATA FROM THE CENSUS THAT WAS COLLECTED LAST
10 YEAR. IT'S TIME FOR ANOTHER PERSON ON THE BOARD. AND I KNOW
11 THAT A LOT OF PEOPLE HAVE BEEN TALKING ABOUT COMMUNITY
12 INTERESTS. BUT IT'S IN THE BEST INTEREST OF THE COMMUNITY AND
13 THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES TO IMPLEMENT PLAN T-1 FOR
14 REDISTRICTING AND ALSO IT WOULD BE A WAY TO BRING COMMUNITIES
15 TOGETHER, TO BRING PEOPLE TOGETHER. IT'S TIME FOR CHANGE. AND
16 IT'S TIME FOR US TO MOVE FORWARD ABOUT IN THAT DIRECTION.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.] STEVE? PEOPLE,
19 STEVE? I'M GOING TO HAVE THE SERGEANT REMOVE PEOPLE WHO ARE
20 APPLAUDING BECAUSE THE TIME IS LONG. AND THE AMOUNT OF
21 PATIENCE WE HAVE IS SHORT. I WANT THOSE EVICTED WHO ARE GOING
22 TO BE APPLAUDING. IF THEY WANT TO DO THEIR HANDS, THAT'S FINE.
23 OKAY. BARBARA BLOOM. EXCUSE ME ONE MOMENT. BARBARA BLOOM.
24 CLARE BROWN. RABYN BLAKE. BONNIE ROTH. MICHELLE JOHNSON. ALLYN



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1 RIFKIA. ROSALIO MUNOZ. ROBERT TORRES. CARLOS BAWON? TOMAS
2 BENITEZ. SCOTT PICKER. OKAY. YES, MA'AM.

3

4 **WENDY FORESTER:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS WENDY FORESTER. I'M
5 HERE IN SUPPORT OF A-3 AMENDED. I'M A 25-YEAR RESIDENT OF THE
6 SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS AND A MEMBER OF THE SANTA MONICA
7 MOUNTAINS RED CROSS TEAM, ONE OF HUNDREDS OF VOLUNTEER
8 CITIZENS TRAINED AND COORDINATED TO RESPOND TO DISASTERS. WE
9 CANNOT RISK NATURAL RESOURCES, FUNDS OR LIVES WITH T-1 OR S-2
10 PLANS. THE BEST INTERESTS AND SAFETY OF OUR COMMUNITY RELIES
11 ON QUICK, WELL-COORDINATED RESPONSE TO DISASTERS. A-3 ASSURES
12 CONTINUITY AND EFFECTIVENESS OF EMERGENCY SERVICES. I URGE YOU
13 TO VOTE FOR A-3.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

16

17 **WENDY FORESTER:** THANK YOU.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** EXCUSE ME. DR. NANCY TODER? NANCY
20 TODER? BETH BURNAM? BETH? DAN HOFFMAN? DAN HOFFMAN? HE ALREADY
21 SPOKE. ALL RIGHT. EILEEN HUFF? EILEEN HUFF? REBECCA BARKIN?
22 REBECCA BARKIN? LUIS LOZANO? LUIS LOZANO? VANESSA TUI'ONE?
23 TUI'ONE? OR TUI'ONE? CONNIE CHUNG JOE? CONNIE CHUNG JOE. MARK?
24 MARK HAS ALREADY SPOKEN. SOME OF THESE PEOPLE SIGNED UP THREE
25 TIMES. AUDREY ALO? AUDREY? JESS THOMAS? JESS THOMAS?



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** HE ALREADY SPOKE.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** HE ALREADY SPOKE. DOROTHY REIK. SHE'S
5 ALREADY SPOKEN. JESS THOMAS? I THINK HE SPOKE, TOO. KIM
6 LAMORI? OKAY. YES, MA'AM.

7

8 **MICHELLE JOHNSON:** HELLO. I'M MICHELLE JOHNSON. I'M CHAIR OF
9 THE CANYON SAGES, A SENIOR ORGANIZATION IN TOPANGA. AND I
10 SUPPORT A-3. TOPANGA IS AN UNINCORPORATED AREA THAT DEPENDS
11 COMPLETELY ON OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH THE COUNTY FOR ALL OF OUR
12 SERVICES AND IT'S TAKEN DECADES FOR US TO BUILD OUR CONNECTION
13 WITH THE COUNTY AND ESPECIALLY NOW WITH SUPERVISOR
14 YAROSLAVSKY, WE HAVE THE STRONGEST SUPPORT EVER. TOPANGA
15 SENIORS NEED THESE STRONG TIES TO DEVELOP PROGRAMS WITH OUR
16 NATIONAL NEIGHBORS -- OUR NATURAL NEIGHBORS, THE WEST VALLEY
17 AND THE WEST SIDE. I FIRMLY BELIEVE THAT WE CAN SUPPORT
18 DIVERSITY AND LATINO RIGHTS WITHOUT DISRUPTING OUR NATURALLY
19 OCCURRING COMMUNITIES. I WOULDN'T BE HERE IF I DIDN'T. THANK
20 YOU.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YES, SIR.

23

24 **CARLOS BAWON:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS CARLOS BAWON AND I'VE
25 BEEN A RESIDENT OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY FOR MY ENTIRE LIFE. I'M



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1 A RETIRED EDUCATOR OF 35 YEARS AND PRESENTLY SERVING LOS
2 ANGELES COUNTY NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM AS GOVERNOR AND TRUSTEE
3 FOR THE FIRST DISTRICT. I'M HERE TO GAIN YOUR SUPPORT FOR
4 PROPOSAL TO CREATE A SECOND LATINO SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT AND
5 TO UPHOLD AND REAFFIRM THE LONG FOUGHT AND EARNED PROVISIONS
6 OF THE CIVIL RIGHTS ACT OF 1964. I SAT ON THE L.A. COUNTY ARTS
7 COMMISSION FOR OVER 15 YEARS AND PRESIDED AS THE FIRST MEXICAN
8 AMERICAN PRESIDENT OF THE COMMISSION FOR TWO OCCASIONS. I
9 CONTINUE TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE CIVIC ARTS COMMITTEE AND
10 AS ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER TO THE -- COMMUNITY BRIDGES PROGRAM,
11 A PROGRAM DESIGNED TO DEVELOP AUDIENCES AND PROGRAMMING FOR
12 THE LATINO AND ASIAN COMMUNITIES OF THE COUNTY. THE ARTS IS AN
13 AESTHETIC OF A CIVIL SOCIETY, YET IT MUST REFLECT THE SOCIETY
14 THAT RESLIDES THEREIN. I'M TALKING ABOUT THE IMPORTANCE OF
15 MAKING ARTS ACCESSIBLE AND COGENT TO ALL RESIDENTS OF THE
16 COUNTY, NOT IN SPITE OF THE DIFFERENCES BUT BECAUSE OF THE
17 DIFFERENCES, THE DIVERSITY OF OUR HUMAN AESTHETIC. I DO
18 BELIEVE THAT LATINOS ADVOCATE FOR LATINOS. AND WITH THEM --

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

21

22 **CARLOS BAWON:** THAT'S IT?

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THAT'S IT, YES SIR.

25



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1 **CARLOS BAWON:** WOW.

2

3 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** I KNOW. ELIZABETH STEPHENS? OR
4 STEPHENS? ELIZABETH? KIM LAMORIE?

5

6 **KIM LAMORIE:** I'M HERE.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY KIM. YOU HAD A DOUBLE IN THERE,
9 TOO. HOLD ONE SECOND. ROSS HASHEMI? ROSS HASHEMI? OKAY. YES,
10 MA'AM. OKAY.

11

12 **BETH BURNAM:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS BETH
13 BURNAM. I SUPPORT PLAN A-3 AS AMENDED AND OPPOSE PLANS T-1 AND
14 S-2. AS CORRESPONDENT OF THE NORTH TOPANGA CANYON FIRE SAFE
15 COUNCIL, I WORK IN COLLABORATION WITH THE THIRD DISTRICT
16 SUPERVISOR'S STAFF AND THEY ARE CRITICALLY IMPORTANT TO THE
17 EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS OF OUR MOUNTAIN COMMUNITIES, A
18 COMMUNITY OF INTEREST. AS A RESIDENT OF UNINCORPORATED LOS
19 ANGELES, OUR SUPERVISOR AND HIS STAFF ARE OUR ONLY LOCAL
20 GOVERNMENT. IT IS CRITICAL THAT WE ARE REPRESENTED BY A
21 DISTRICT SUPERVISOR WHO CAN UNDERSTAND OUR UNIQUE NEEDS. AS AN
22 INDIVIDUAL, I ALWAYS VOTE FOR THE MOST QUALIFIED CANDIDATE
23 REGARDLESS OF ETHNICITY OR GENDER AND EXPECT THEM TO REPRESENT
24 ME REGARDLESS OF THEIR ETHNICITY OR GENDER. THANK YOU.

25



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1 **KIM LAMORIE:** HONORABLE SUPERVISORS, MY NAME'S KIM LAMORIE AND
2 I'M PRESIDENT OF LAS VIRGINES HOMEOWNERS' FEDERATION, IN OUR
3 44TH YEAR AS THE UNWAVERING VOICE OF THE THE SANTA MONICA
4 MOUNTAINS. OUR 9000-PLUS HOMEOWNERS, 15,000 ACTIVE VOTERS SAY
5 AGAIN WE ARE OPPOSED TODAY T-1 AND S-2. THEY THREATEN OUR
6 MOUNTAIN ENVIRONMENTAL COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST THAT STRETCH
7 FROM GRIFFITH PARK TO THE CANEJO VALLEY. EVERYTHING THAT WE
8 HAVE WORKED FOR, PRESERVED AND PROTECTED IN THE LAST 20 YEARS.
9 THE MOUNTAINS ARE NOT A PRIZE THAT CAN JUST BE CHOPPED UP OR
10 SLICED OUT OF OUR THIRD DISTRICT HOME AS A PART OF THE
11 GERRYMANDERED POLITICAL PLOY THAT IS T-1 AND S-2. WHY SHOULD
12 3-1/2 MILLION VOTERS HAVE TO BE UNNECESSARILY DISENFRANCHISED
13 WHEN THERE IS A VOTING RIGHTS COMPLIANT A-3 PLAN THAT WREAKS
14 NONE OF THAT HAVOC. WE'RE COMMITTED TO CONSERVING THE WILD
15 LAND AND WONDERFUL THINGS IN THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS FOR
16 EVERYONE TODAY AND FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS. THIS MEANS
17 UNEQUIVOCALLY KEEPING SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS WITHIN THE
18 EXISTING THIRD DISTRICT BOUNDARIES. THIS MEANS ADOPTING A-3
19 AMENDED. THANK YOU.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. YES, MA'AM.

22

23 **CONNIE CHUNG JOE:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS CONNIE CHUNG JOE
24 AND I'M THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE KOREAN-AMERICAN FAMILY
25 SERVICE CENTER AND VICE PRESIDENT OF PLANNING OF APCON AND I'M



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1 HERE TO SUPPORT THE A-3 PLAN. K.F.S.C. HAS BEEN SERVING AS A
2 FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER FOR KOREAN IMMIGRANTS IN ALL OF L.A.
3 COUNTY FOR 28 YEARS. I'D LIKE TO START OFF BY THANKING ALL THE
4 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR THEIR DILIGENT WORK AND EFFORTS TO
5 SERVE THIS COUNTY REGARDLESS OF WHICH PLAN THEY SUPPORT, EACH
6 AND EVERY SUPERVISOR HAS TRUE PASSION AND COMMITMENT TO
7 SERVING THIS WONDERFUL AND DIVERSE COUNTY OF OURS. IN
8 PARTICULAR, I NEED TO THANK MY DISTRICT SUPERVISOR, MARK
9 RIDLEY-THOMAS, FOR HIS GREAT SUPPORT TO THE KOREAN AMERICAN
10 FAMILY SERVICE CENTER AND OUR KOREAN AMERICAN COMMUNITY. I
11 WANT TO EXPRESS K.F.S.C. SUPPORT FOR THE A-3 PLAN WHICH
12 CLOSELY MAINTAINS THE CURRENT DISTRICTS AND RESPECTS THE
13 RELATIONSHIPS THAT A.P.I. COMMUNITIES HAVE ESTABLISHED. FOR
14 EXAMPLE, KOREANS IN THE WEST SAN FERNANDO VALLEY, WHERE 25
15 PERCENT OF MY COUNSELING CLIENTS RESIDE, WILL BE DISBURSED BY
16 THE ALTERNATE S-2 AND T-1 PLANS.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, MISS JOE, I'M SORRY. LET ME
19 ALSO CALL UP JESSICA RAMIREZ, DANIEL ALVAREZ. ESTELA DUENAS.
20 EFREN MARTINEZ? I BELIEVE GABY ALREADY HAS SPOKEN, LEYBA. I
21 BELIEVE SHE'S ALREADY SPOKEN. IRIS GUTIERREZ? AND ARTURO IXTA?
22 OKAY, YES SIR. YOU'RE ON.

23

24 **ELISABETH STEPHENS:** HONORABLE SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS
25 ELIZABETH STEPHENS AND I HAVE BEEN A RESIDENT OF THE SANTA



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1 MONICA MOUNTAINS FOR 25 YEARS. I STRONGLY OPPOSE T-1 AND S-2.
2 I FIND IT APPALLING THE ORCHESTRATION OF DISTRICT 1 AND 2
3 SPEAKERS AND YET A STATE SENATOR IS CUT OFF AT A MINUTE. I
4 RESENT THE VICTIMIZATION CARD BEING PLAYED, THE THREATS OF
5 LAWSUITS AND THE POLARIZATION OF RACE. THIS IS ABOUT SHARED
6 INTERESTS WITHIN COMMUNITIES. THE FACT IS: A-3 MEETS THE
7 VOTING RIGHTS ACT. WE WANT TO PROTECT OUR COG CITIES, OUR
8 MOUNTAINS, BEACHES, WATERSHEDS AND THE ENVIRONMENT FOR TODAY
9 AND FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS. WE ARE THE STEWARDS OF THIS LAND.
10 PLEASE VOTE THE ISSUES. SUPPORT A-3 AND PROTECT OUR VOTING
11 RIGHTS. THANK YOU.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LUCY RAMOS. YES SIR.

14

15 **ROSS HASHEMI:** HONORABLE SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS ROSS HASHEMI
16 AND I'M PRESIDENT OF FOUNTAINWOOD HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION OF
17 ABOUT 2,000 PEOPLE IN AGORA HILLS. WE OPPOSE T-1 AND S-2 AND
18 SUPPORT A-3. T-1 WAS INTRODUCED IN THE VERY LAST MINUTES
19 BEFORE THE DEADLINE AFTER SIX MONTHS OF REDISTRICTING PROCESS?
20 WHAT WAS THE REAL REASON BEHIND THE LAST MINUTE DROP? IS IT
21 FAIR TO MOVE MILLIONS OF PEOPLE AROUND JUST FOR LEGACY OF ONE
22 SUPERVISOR? WITH THE CURRENT VALID CONCERN ABOUT THE CLIMATE
23 CHANGE, WHY ADD TO UNCERTAINTIES AND MAKE SUCH A BIG CHANGE
24 LIKE T-1 AND S-2? WHY DO WE WANT TO CHANGE WHAT'S WORKING SO
25 WELL? IS IT JUST FOR LEGACY OF ONE PERSON? THANK YOU.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SIR. SYLVIA NUNEZ. SYLVIA?
3 YES, MA'AM.

4

5 **SYLVIA NUNEZ:** HI, MY NAME'S JESSICA RAMIREZ. HELLO BOARD AND
6 MR. MAYOR. I'M FROM TORRANCE, THE CITY OF TORRANCE, AND I'M IN
7 THE PROGRAM URBAN TEACHER FELLOWSHIP. AND I'D JUST LIKE TO SAY
8 THAT WITH THE SUPPORT OF A-3, THEY WERE ABLE TO KEEP MY
9 PROGRAM VERY DIVERSE AND IT'S EASY TO GET ALONG WITH MY FELLOW
10 STUDENTS. I BELIEVE THAT RACE SHOULD NOT DETERMINE THE
11 SELECTION OF PUBLIC OFFICIALS. AND WITHOUT DIVERSITY WE
12 WOULDN'T LEARN ABOUT OTHER CULTURES. AND ME MYSELF, I'M HALF
13 LATINA, SO IT'S GOOD TO SEE THAT I GET TO BE WITH OTHERS. SO
14 YES, THANK YOU.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, MA'AM. YES, SIR.

17

18 **DANIEL ALVAREZ:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS DANIEL ALVAREZ, A
19 RESIDENT OF LONG BEACH AND HERE TO VOICE MY SUPPORT FOR PLAN
20 A-3. I VALUE THE DIVERSITY OF LONG BEACH AND THE DIVERSITY OF
21 DON KNABE'S PROPOSAL. AS MANY HAVE ALREADY MENTIONED, I, TOO,
22 BELIEVE THAT VALUES SUCH AS INTEGRITY, CHARACTER, DEDICATION
23 AND LEADERSHIP SKILLS TAKE PRECEDENT OVER ONE'S RACE. DON
24 KNABE HAS PARTNERED AND CREATED RELATIONSHIPS WITH DIVERSE
25 COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST AND THEY HAVE ALL WORKED TO IMPROVE



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1 THE QUALITY OF LIFE INCLUDING THOSE OF LATINOS. FOR OVER 20
2 YEARS NOW, THESE COMMUNITIES HAVE CREATED A STRONG NETWORK TO
3 COLLABORATE ON A WIDE SPECTRUM OF ISSUES THAT ARE IMPORTANT TO
4 THEIR FAMILIES AND THEY HAVE MADE GREAT PROGRESS. LET'S
5 CONTINUE MOVING FORWARD WITH MINIMAL INTERRUPTION AND WORKING
6 IN A PARTNERSHIP THAT IS GROUNDED IN A DESIRE FOR A BETTER
7 FUTURE FOR EVERYONE. THANK YOU.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. YES, MA'AM.

10

11 **IRIS GUTIERREZ:** HI GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS IRIS GUTIERREZ
12 AND I'M A RESIDENT OF TORRANCE AND I VALUE AND SUPPORT THE
13 DIVERSITY IN DON KNABE'S REDISTRICTING PROPOSAL A-3 AND
14 STRONGLY BELIEVE THAT A PERSON'S CHARACTER, SKILLS AND
15 COMMITMENT IS WHAT IS IMPORTANT, NOT THE COLOR OF THEIR SKIN.
16 I WOULD VOTE FOR A CANDIDATE THAT WANTS TO WORK WITH A DIVERSE
17 GROUP OF PEOPLE WHICH REPRESENTS MY COMMUNITY. DON KNABE HAS
18 BEEN WORKING WITH MANY DIFFERENT RACES TO HELP IMPROVE THE
19 QUALITY OF THE LIFE OF THE PEOPLE IN OUR NEIGHBORHOODS. TO
20 TAKE -- I'M SORRY. TO MAKE THE CONVERSATION ABOUT RACE AT THE
21 EXPENSE OF EVERY OTHER IMPORTANT CONSIDERATION SUCH AS
22 CHARACTER, COMMITMENT AND EXPERIENCE, RELATIONSHIPS IS
23 FUNDAMENTALLY WRONG AND DOES NOT SERVE US, THE CITIZENS OF
24 L.A. COUNTY. THANK YOU.

25



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. YES, MA'AM.

2

3 **GABRIELLA LEYVA:** HI, MY NAME IS GABRIELLA LEYVA AND I AM A
4 PROUD LATINA. I AM HERE REPRESENTING SOUTH BAY CENTER FOR
5 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND THE COMMUNITIES OF WILMINGTON AND
6 LONG BEACH. I SUPPORT PLAN A. THE OTHER TWO PLANS, T-1 AND S-
7 2, ARE RADICALLY DIFFERENT AND HUGELY DISRUPTIVE. OVER 3
8 MILLION PEOPLE WOULD BE ASSIGNED TO NEW SUPERVISOR DISTRICTS,
9 DESTROYING RELATIONSHIPS BUILT OVER DECADES. MILLIONS OF
10 PEOPLE WOULD WIND UP BEING REPRESENTED BY A SUPERVISOR THEY
11 NEVER HAD THE CHANCE TO VOTE FOR. DIVERSITY MATTERS MORE THAN
12 RACE. AND I VALUE THE DIVERSITY OF DON KNABE'S PROPOSAL. DON
13 KNABE HAS PARTNERED WITH A DIVERSITY GROUP OF PEOPLE TO
14 IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF LIFE IN THEIR NEIGHBORHOODS. I URGE YOU
15 TO VOTE FOR PLAN A-3.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. YES SIR.

18

19 **AURTURO IXTA:** MY NAME IS AURTURO IXTA, I'M A RESIDENT OF
20 WILMINGTON. AND I SUPPORT A-3. THE OTHER T-1 AND S-2 PLANS
21 WILL AFFECT WILMINGTON GREATLY. THEY'RE GOING TO -- THEY WILL
22 BE SEPARATED FROM THE NEIGHBORING CITIES THAT ARE AROUND US
23 THAT WE HAVE BUILT OUR RELATIONSHIPS WITH. AND I SUPPORT DON
24 KNABE. THANK YOU.

25



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. MATTHEW NAVARETTE? JOHN
2 GUZMAN? BENJAMIN MARTINEZ, JR., MARTHA DINA ARGUELLES? OKAY,
3 YES, MA'AM. YES.

4

5 **LUCY RAMOS:** GOOD AFTERNOON HONORABLE SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS
6 LUCY RAMOS. I AM PRESIDENT OF MOTHERS OF EAST LOS ANGELES. FOR
7 YEARS I HAVE BEEN FIGHTING FOR THE LATINO COMMUNITY CAN HAVE A
8 VOICE AND SO THAT WE CAN HAVE A FAIR OPPORTUNITY. THIS IS WHAT
9 BROUGHT ME HERE TODAY. WHEN I FIRST GOT INVOLVED WITH MY
10 COMMUNITY, LATINOS HAD VERY LITTLE REPRESENTATION. OUR
11 COMMUNITY AND EAST L.A. HAS HAD UNWANTED PROJECTS THROWN AT
12 US, LIKE A PRISON. AND IT WAS UP TO THE RESIDENTS TO STAND UP
13 FOR OURSELVES AND FOR OUR CHILDREN. IT WASN'T UNTIL GLORIA
14 MOLINA CAME ALONG THAT WE HAD A VOICE TO HELP US IN OUR
15 STRUGGLE AGAINST THESE UNWANTED PROJECTS. I HAVE SEEN WHAT A
16 BIG DIFFERENCE IT HAS HAD TO IMPROVE OUR REPRESENTATION IN OUR
17 COMMUNITY. A-3 MAP LIMITS THE PROPER REPRESENTATION OF LATINO
18 COMMUNITY IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. IT KEEPS UP THE STATUS QUO. I
19 HAVE SPENT MANY YEARS FIGHTING FOR THE STATUS QUO.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, MA'AM. YES, SIR.

22

23 **BENJAMIN MARTINEZ:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF LOS
24 ANGELES. I AM BENJAMIN MARTINEZ, JR. A RESIDENT OF LOS NIETOS
25 COMMUNITY IN SUPERVISOR MOLINA'S DISTRICT 1. I'M HERE TO



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1 SUPPORT SUPERVISOR GLORIA MOLINA AND SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-
2 THOMAS'S PLAN FOR REDISTRICTING PLANS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY.
3 IT WOULD BE FOOLISH FOR ME TO SUPPORT ONLY ONE PLAN. I HAVE TO
4 BE REALISTIC ABOUT THE CHANGE IN POPULATION OF LOS ANGELES
5 COUNTY OF 10 MILLION PEOPLE. THAT BEING SAID, I'M HERE THE
6 SUPPORT SUPERVISOR MOLINA'S PLAN FOR REDISTRICTING DUE TO THE
7 RESULTS OF THE CENSUS OF 2010. SUPERVISOR MOLINA HAS DONE A
8 LOT OF GOOD FOR OUR DISTRICT, ONE. AND WE APPRECIATE HER
9 EFFORTS ON OUR BEHALF. I HAVE SEEN THE CHANGES OF THE
10 POPULATION IN LOS ANGELES CITY, LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND IN THE
11 STATE OF CALIFORNIA. THE NEW MAPS FOLLOW THE LETTER OF THE
12 LAW.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SIR.

15

16 **BENJAMIN MARTINEZ:** GARZA VERSUS LOS ANGELES COUNTY.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. YES, SIR.

19

20 **MATTHEW NAVARETTE:** MY NAME IS MATTHEW NAVARETTE, I'M A
21 RESIDENT OF SAN PEDRO. I REPRESENT AND SUPPORT 3-A AND DON
22 KNABE. 3-A IS THE BEST DECISION BECAUSE IT WILL NOT SPLIT UP
23 COMMUNITIES WHICH HAVE WORKED TOGETHER FOR OVER 20 YEARS. RACE
24 SHOULD NOT MATTER INFLUENCING VOTERS. VOTERS SHOULD LOOK AT A
25 CANDIDATE'S CHARACTER AND COMMITMENT TO THE PEOPLE. THAT IS



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1 WHY I SUPPORT DON KNABE. NOT BECAUSE OF HIS SKIN COLOR BUT
2 BECAUSE OF HIS GREAT CHARACTER, HIS COMMITMENT TO THE PEOPLE
3 AND TO GET THE JOB DONE, WHICH IS MOST IMPORTANT. GOD BLESS
4 AMERICA.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. YES, SIR. CYNDEE RIDING?
7 CYNDEE RIDING? YES, SIR. OR YES, MA'AM.

8

9 **MARTHA DINA ARGUELLES:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS MARTHA DINA
10 ARGUELLES. I CURRENTLY SERVE AS THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF
11 PHYSICIANS FOR SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY IN LOS ANGELES. BUT WHAT
12 PROMPTED ME TO TAKE THE DAY OFF TODAY IS THAT I'M A RESIDENT
13 OF LOS ANGELES SINCE 1963, WHEN MY FAMILY FIRST CAME HERE. AND
14 WE LIVED IN PICO-UNION. WE'VE LIVED IN WEST HOLLYWOOD. WE
15 LIVED IN EAST HOLLYWOOD. WE'VE LIVED IN SOUTHEAST L.A. AND
16 JUST BELOW GRIFFITH PARK. THESE ARE COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST.
17 THEY SHARE A COMMON HISTORY. AND I REMEMBER WHEN MY FAMILY
18 FIRST CAME HERE DRIVING TO EAST L.A. TO BUY FOOD BECAUSE AS
19 YET PICO UNION WAS NOT A LATINO COMMUNITY. I'M HERE TO SUPPORT
20 T-1 AND S-2 MAPS BECAUSE THESE RESIDENTS, WHETHER ITS
21 SOUTHEAST LOS ANGELES OR PICO-UNION, WE UNDERSTAND THE TOLL
22 ENVIRONMENTAL CONTAMINATION TAKES ON OUR COMMUNITIES AND OUR
23 HEALTH. WHO BEST TO COME TOGETHER TO SOLVE THOSE PROBLEMS AND
24 REVITALIZE OUR COMMUNITIES THAN THOSE COMMUNITIES THAT SHARE
25 BEING CRISSCROSSED BY FREEWAYS, MANUFACTURING, THE THINGS THAT



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1 DON'T EXIST IN THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS. WHO BEST TO COME
2 TOGETHER TO MAKE SURE THAT OUR COMMUNITIES ARE AS PRISTINE AS
3 THOSE IN THE SOUTH?

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5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. YES, SIR.

6

7 **BILL GALLEGOS:** I'M BILL GALLEGOS AND I'M THE EXECUTIVE
8 DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITIES FOR A BETTER ENVIRONMENT. AND I'M HERE
9 TODAY TO VOICE MY OPPOSITION TO THE A-3 MAP WHICH WOULD DILUTE
10 THE LATINO VOTES AND VIOLATE THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT. I WISH TO
11 VOICE MY SUPPORT FOR THE T-1 AND S-2 MAPS WHICH WOULD CREATE
12 TWO LATINO OPPORTUNITY DISTRICTS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. OUR
13 ORGANIZATION WORKS EXTENSIVELY IN SOUTHEAST L.A. TO EDUCATE
14 COMMUNITY LEADERS AND RESIDENTS ABOUT THE CONNECTIONS BETWEEN
15 ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH AND JUSTICE AND THE NEEDS OF OUR URBAN
16 NEIGHBORHOODS. AND WHAT I FOUND IS THIS: WHEN LEADERS COME
17 FROM THE COMMUNITY, THERE IS A MUCH BETTER CHANCE TO
18 UNDERSTAND THE COMMUNITY AND DELIVER CHANGE THAT THAT
19 COMMUNITY NEEDS. ALL THE TALK I'VE HEARD SO FAR ABOUT
20 ENVIRONMENTALISM HAS BEEN FROM THE PERSPECTIVE OF OPEN SPACE
21 ADVOCATES, AND THAT PERSPECTIVE IS IMPORTANT. BUT TRUST ME
22 WHEN I SAY THAT IN ENVIRONMENTAL CIRCLES AND AMONG ELECTED
23 OFFICIALS WHO CONSIDER THEMSELVES STRONG ENVIRONMENTALISTS, WE
24 NEED DECISION MAKERS TO ALSO TAKE STANDS ON AIR QUALITY
25 ISSUES, LAND USE, PLANNING, TRANSPORTATION, AND GREEN ECONOMY



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1 ISSUES. THESE ARE THE AREAS OF STRONG CONCERN FOR LATINOS IN
2 THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY, SAN GABRIEL AND SOUTHEAST L.A.
3 COUNTY. AND THEY ARE THE ISSUES WHICH WILL ULTIMATELY BENEFIT
4 ALL WHO LIVE IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. WHAT WE NEED ARE
5 MORE LEADERS WHO UNDERSTAND THE URBAN PERSPECTIVE --

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP YOLANDA
8 DUARTE. YOLANDA DUARTE. JOHN GUZMAN. AGAIN THESE ARE
9 DUPLICATES. MICHELLE ARCE. EDDIE CARVAIAL? JOSEPH BALTIZAR?
10 KENNETH WHEELAND? YES, MA'AM. GO AHEAD.

11

12 **CYNDEE RIDING:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS CYNDEE RIDING. I
13 SERVE ON THE ARLETA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BOARD AND ALSO THE
14 ARLETA NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL. I'M THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF
15 FIVE CHILDCARE CENTERS IN THE NORTHEAST SAN FERNANDO VALLEY
16 DISTRICT 3. 98.5 PERCENT OF OUR POPULATION IS LATINO. I AND
17 THOSE I REPRESENT SUPPORT A-3. WE WANT TO KEEP THE VALLEY
18 CONNECTED AS IT HAS SHOWN TREMENDOUS ECONOMICAL REVIVAL AND
19 GROWTH IN CULTURAL DIVERSITY. ALSO WE WANT TO KEEP THE SANTA
20 MONICA MOUNTAINS TOGETHER. PLEASE DON'T BREAK THEM UP THROUGH
21 REDISTRICTING. THE VALLEY AND THE MOUNTAINS HAVE UNIQUE NEEDS
22 AND THREATS. WE NEED TO KEEP OUR RESOURCES INTACT SO
23 COMMUNITIES STAY PREPARED FOR THE DANGEROUS POSSIBILITIES THAT
24 WE ALL FACE IN THIS REGION. SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, YOU ARE
25 AWARE OF THESE ISSUES AND YOU HAVE REPRESENTED US SO WELL. WE



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1 THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT FOR THE VERY YOUNG AND THE ELDERLY
2 AND ALL THE SOCIAL PROGRAMS AND THE COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS
3 THAT YOU HAVE HELPED TO CREATE. WE SUPPORT A-3 TO KEEP OUR
4 COMMUNITIES UNITED. THANK YOU.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. MARCIA DAVALOS? MARCIA? AND
7 JESSE TORRES? YES, MA'AM.

8

9 **YOLANDA DUARTE:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MAYOR AND SUPERVISORS. THANK
10 YOU. MY NAME IS YOLANDA DUARTE AND I'M HERE IN FAVOR OF S-2
11 AND T-1 OPPOSING A-3. I'M A RESIDENT AND SMALL BUSINESS OWNER
12 IN EAST L.A. AND I'M AN ADVOCATE FOR SMALL BUSINESS. I'D LIKE
13 TO TALK TO YOU ABOUT THE QUALITY OF LIFE BEFORE AND AFTER
14 BEING REPRESENTED BY A LATINO, BECAUSE I CAN. I'M A SENIOR
15 CITIZEN AND I REMEMBER. I REMEMBER WHEN CRIME WAS RAMPANT IN
16 EAST L.A. AND THE POLICE IGNORED IT. I REMEMBER WHEN NO ONE
17 CARED ABOUT OUR NEIGHBORHOOD. NO ONE CARED ABOUT OUR HOUSING.
18 NO ONE CARED ABOUT OUR BUSINESSES. YES, THERE ARE PLENTY OF
19 LIQUOR STORES AND THERE WERE NO RESTRICTIONS ON LICENSING. WE
20 WERE TARGETS FOR LAWLESSNESS AND AT RISK, AND FOR EVERYTHING
21 ASSOCIATED WITH ALCOHOL. NOW BECAUSE OF MY SUPERVISOR, WHO
22 DOES SHARE MY VALUES AND MY CONCERNS, OUR SHERIFFS SHARE OUR
23 GOALS, WE HAVE A SAFE COMMUNITY, CRIME IS DOWN, ENFORCEMENT
24 FOR BARS AND LIQUOR SALES ARE THERE. THERE ARE REPERCUSSIONS



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1 FOR SHOPS THAT DON'T ACT RESPONSIBLY. WE HAVE STREET TREES. WE
2 HAVE FOUNTAINS AND YES WE HAVE THE GOLD LINE.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LAURA BARRERA? LAURA
5 BARRERA? GILBERT BERRIOZOBAL? GLORIA CHAVEZ? VICKY CASTRO? DR.
6 TIMOTHY MARTINEZ?

7

8 **KENNETH WHEELAND:** HI, MY NAME IS KEN WHEELAND, I LIVE IN THE
9 THIRD DISTRICT IN TOPANGA AND I'M IN FAVOR OF A-3. I'M OPPOSED
10 TO T-1 AND S-2 BECAUSE THEY'RE SO DISRUPTIVE. AND I THINK THAT
11 VOTING ON -- THE VOTING PROCESS IS THE RIGHT THING TO DO
12 INSTEAD OF GERRYMANDERING THE DISTRICTS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SIR. DAVID KRAFT? FATHER
15 MORETTA? FATHER MORETTA? YOLANDA DUARTE? LOURDES CARACPOSA.
16 YES, MA'AM.

17

18 **MICHELLE ARCE:** HELLO. MY NAME IS MICHELLE ARCE. I'M A RESIDENT
19 OF UNINCORPORATED WEST WHITTIER. I'M HERE TO EXPRESS MY
20 OPPOSITION TO THE A-3 MAP. I'M ALSO HERE TO VOICE MY SUPPORT
21 FOR THE T-1 AND S-2 MAPS. ONLY THESE TWO MAPS ENSURE THE
22 VOTING POWER OF THE LATINOS IS NOT DILUTED AND GIVE THE HIGH
23 PREVALENCE OF LATINO FAMILIES IN MY NEIGHBORHOOD, THIS IS
24 ESPECIALLY IMPORTANT TO ME. I HAVE DEDICATED MANY YEARS TO
25 FOCUSING ON THE NEEDS OF SENIORS IN THE UNINCORPORATED WEST



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1 WHITTIER. I HAVE LEARNED THAT ELECTED OFFICIALS RESPOND BEST
2 TO WHEN THEY TRULY, TRULY UNDERSTAND THE COMMUNITY'S NEEDS.
3 OUR COMMUNITY WAS NEGLECTED FOR MANY YEARS. I DON'T THINK IT'S
4 ANY COINCIDENCE THAT THIS NEGLECT WENT HAND-IN-HAND WITH
5 DECADES OF DELIBERATE DILUTION OF THE LATINO VOTE. THAT IS NOT
6 A CLAIM OR MY OPINION. THAT IS A FACT THAT WAS PROVEN IN COURT
7 OF LAW IN 1990. EVERY SINGLE DAY COMMUNITIES LIKE
8 UNINCORPORATED WEST WHITTIER STILL LIVE WITH THE EFFECTS OF
9 VOTER DISENFRANCHISEMENT.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

12

13 **DR. TIMOTHY MARTINEZ:** MY NAME IS DR. TIMOTHY MARTINEZ I'M THE
14 ASSOCIATE DEAN AT WESTERN UNIVERSITY HEALTH SCIENCES COLLEGE
15 OF DENTAL MEDICINE IN POMONA. I HAVE BEEN A PRACTICING DENTIST
16 FOR OVER 25 YEARS, RAISED AND RESIDE IN THE SAN GABRIEL
17 VALLEY. I WANT TO EXPRESS MY FULL SUPPORT OF THE T-1 AND S-2
18 MAPS. WE MUST CREATE TWO LATINO OPPORTUNITY DISTRICTS SO THE
19 LATINOS CAN HAVE PROPER ADVOCACY, ESPECIALLY IN THE AREA OF
20 HEALTHCARE. LATINOS NOW MAKE UP 48 PERCENT OF THE POPULATION
21 OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. THEY MAKE UP A LARGER PERCENTAGE OF
22 THOSE SEEKING SERVICES FROM YOUR COUNTY HOSPITALS AND CLINICS.
23 WE KNOW IN HINDSIGHT THAT L.A.C.+U.S.C. MEDICAL CENTER SHOULD
24 HAVE BEEN A MUCH LARGER FACILITY. WE ALSO KNOW THAT THERE'S A
25 GREAT NEED FOR A HOSPITAL IN THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY. THE



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1 STATUS QUO HAS NOT ALLOWED THAT TO HAPPEN. WE CANNOT ACCEPT
2 THE STATUS QUO. THIS IS EXACTLY WHAT WE GET WITH THE A-3 MAP,
3 THE STATUS QUO. PLEASE DO WHAT IS FAIR AND WHAT IS REQUIRED BY
4 THE VOTING RIGHT ACT. SUPPORT TWO LATINO OPPORTUNITY
5 DISTRICTS.

6

7 **GLORIA CHAVEZ:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS GLORIA CHAVEZ. I'M
8 PRESIDENT OF THE CITY TERRACE COORDINATING COUNCIL. AND MOST
9 OF ALL I AM A MOTHER, A GRANDMOTHER AND A PROUD WIFE. I HAVE
10 LIVED IN THE CITY TERRACE COMMUNITY SINCE 1963. I HAVE SEEN A
11 LOT OF CHANGES. I HAVE SEEN THINGS NOT DONE IN OUR COMMUNITY
12 FROM OUR PREVIOUS SUPERVISORS, PROMISES BUT NOTHING DONE. WE
13 HAVE A SUPERVISOR NOW THAT HAS MADE SOME CHANGES. I REMEMBER
14 PEOPLE COMING TO MY HOME AND SAYING, "HOW CAN YOU LIVE HERE,
15 GLORIA? HOW CAN YOU LIVE HERE IN THIS AREA? IT IS SO UGLY."
16 NOW WHEN PEOPLE COME TO CITY TERRACE, THEY SAY, "WHAT A
17 CHANGE." AND THAT IS BECAUSE WE HAVE A SUPERVISOR THAT IS
18 CONSCIOUS OF WHAT WE HAVE, WHO WE ARE AND WHAT WE NEED. AND
19 WHAT WE NEED IS SOMEONE TO COME IN TO OUR COMMUNITY AS GLORIA
20 MOLINA HAS COME IN AND SUPPORT THE VIEWS, THE NEEDS, NOT THE
21 WANTS, THE NEEDS OF THE COMMUNITIES OF NOT ONLY EAST LOS
22 ANGELES BUT ALL LATINO COMMUNITIES. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

23

24 **SUP. MOLINA:** THANK YOU, GLORIA. I THOUGHT I WOULD NEVER HEAR
25 THAT FROM YOU.



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2 **VICKY CASTRO:** THANK YOU, GOOD MORNING. GOOD MORNING, GOOD
3 AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS, HONORABLE SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS
4 VICTORIA CASTRO. I'M A CURRENT RESIDENT OF ALHAMBRA. I HAD THE
5 PLEASURE OF WORKING WITH MANY OF YOU WHEN I SERVED AS AN
6 ELECTED OFFICIAL ON THE LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL BOARD. MY
7 COMMUNITY WORK BEGAN IN THE '60S AS AN ORGANIZER FOR THE 1968
8 SCHOOL WALKOUTS IN EAST LOS ANGELES. I ASSISTED WITH THE
9 CHICANO MORATORIUM MARCH AGAINST THE VIETNAM WAR AND AGAINST
10 PROPOSITION 187, 227 AND SO MANY OTHER JUSTICE STRUGGLES FOR
11 MY COMMUNITY. MY LIFE HAS BEEN ABOUT ADVOCATING FOR BETTER
12 EDUCATION AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR OUR YOUTH. TODAY I'M HERE TO
13 ASK YOU TO HELP US PROVIDE ADEQUATE REPRESENTATION ACROSS THE
14 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. I OPPOSE A-3. I URGE YOU TO SUPPORT T-1
15 AND S-2 MAPS. PLEASE DO NOT ALLOW HISTORY TO CONTINUE
16 REPEATING ITSELF. JUST AS WE EXPECT OUR STUDENTS TO LEARN FROM
17 OUR HISTORY IN SCHOOL, I HOPE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS CAN
18 LEARN FROM ITS OWN HISTORY. PLEASE JOIN THE STRUGGLE OF FAIR
19 REPRESENTATION. DEMONSTRATE YOUR COMMITMENT TO THE VOTING
20 RIGHTS ACT. RESPECT THE NEEDS OF OUR LATINO COMMUNITY FOR FAIR
21 REPRESENTATION. PLEASE LET US MOVE FORWARD IN THE WORK OF MARK
22 ROSENBAUM, THIS MORNING'S L.A. TIMES OP-ED. IT'S YOUR CHANCE
23 TO MAKE HISTORY, NOT REPEAT IT. I THANK YOU FOR THIS
24 OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS YOU.

25



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1 **LOURDES CARACPOSA:** HELLO. MY NAME IS LOURDES CARACPOSA. I WAS
2 BORN AND RAISED IN EAST LOS ANGELES AND CONTINUE TO LIVE AND
3 WORK IN EAST LOS ANGELES. I AM HERE TODAY IN SUPPORT OF T-1
4 AND S-2 BECAUSE MY COMMUNITY AND FAMILY BENEFITED FROM
5 REDISTRICTING 20 YEARS AGO AND FEEL THAT THE NEXT GENERATION
6 DESERVES THE SAME OPPORTUNITY. I WORK EVERY DAY TO ENSURE THAT
7 CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS AND THEIR FAMILIES RECEIVE
8 COMPREHENSIVE MULTILINGUAL COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICES AND
9 SUPPORT FOR THEIR EMOTIONAL AND PHYSICAL NEEDS. THERE IS MUCH
10 STIGMA AROUND THESE ISSUES IN OUR LATINO COMMUNITY. BEING IN A
11 DISTRICT WITH A LATINO SUPERVISOR GAVE US THAT OPPORTUNITY AND
12 CHANGED ALL THAT. SUPERVISOR GLORIA MOLINA CREATED CENTRO
13 ESTRELLO, A ONE-STOP SHOP FOR SPANISH-SPEAKING FAMILIES WHO
14 STRUGGLE TO GET SERVICES FOR THEIR CHILDREN WITH A
15 DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITY. THIS CHANGE WAS ACHIEVED THROUGH
16 SOMEONE WHO CARED ABOUT OUR SPECIAL NEEDS CHILDREN AND OUR
17 FAMILIES AND OUR COMMUNITY, SOMEONE WHO WAS WILLING TO
18 STRONGLY ADVOCATE FOR US AND TO BRING THESE RESOURCES TO OUR
19 COMMUNITY. UNTIL CENTRO ESTRELLO WE HAD NO WAY TO ENSURE THAT
20 FAMILIES WERE RECEIVING COMMUNITY SERVICES, FAMILY AND PEER
21 SUPPORT GROUPS, ADVOCACY TRAINING, BEHAVIORAL HEALTH, AFTER
22 SCHOOL, INCLUSIVE PRESCHOOL AND SPECIALIZED AQUATICS. AND ALL
23 THESE SERVICES TO ENSURE THE SUCCESSFUL DEVELOPMENT OF HEALTHY
24 CHILDREN.

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1 **FATHER MORETTA:** GOOD AFTERNOON.

2

3 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** STEVEN REYES AND DR. DAVID HAYES
4 POSTIA. YES, FATHER.

5

6 **FATHER MORETTA:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS MONSIGNOR JOHN
7 MORETTA. I'M THE PASTOR FOR 28 YEARS AT RESURRECTION CHURCH IN
8 BOYLE HEIGHTS. OUR PARRISH HAS DURING THESE YEARS FOUGHT FOR
9 ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE, WHETHER IT BE IN THE SITING OF A
10 NECESSARY VERNON POWER PLANT, WHETHER IT BE AGAINST THE STATE
11 PRISON OR WHETHER IT BE AGAINST TOXIC INCINERATORS, WE'VE BEEN
12 THERE. I COME HERE TODAY TO ASK THAT YOU PLEASE PROVIDE US
13 WITH THE BEST POSSIBLE OPPORTUNITY TO ADVOCATE FOR A HEALTHY
14 QUALITY OF LIFE FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS. MY PARISHIONERS IN ALL
15 THE EAST SIDE HAVE BEEN READY TO FIGHT FOR WHAT IS FAIR AND TO
16 FIGHT AGAINST WHAT IS HARMFUL AND DANGEROUS TO OUR COMMUNITY,
17 ESPECIALLY TO THE YOUNG CHILDREN. T-1 AND S-2 MAPS GIVE US ALL
18 THE FAIRNESS AND JUSTICE WE HAVE BEEN SEEKING FOR YEARS. IT IS
19 SAD THAT IN THIS DAY AND AGE THAT WE WOULD HAVE TO RESORT TO
20 THE COURTS AGAIN. PLEASE AVOID THAT AND THANK YOU.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SIR.

23

24 **SUP. MOLINA:** THANK YOU, FATHER.

25



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YOU'RE ON.

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3 **ASSEMBLYMAN GILBERT CEDILLO:** THANK YOU. HAPPY TO SEE ALL OF
4 YOU. VERY LITTLE I CAN ADD. LET ME JUST SUGGEST THAT I KNOW
5 THAT WHEN WE BEGAN OUR CAREERS, WE BEGAN WITH THE IDEA THAT WE
6 WOULD BE AGENTS OF CHANGE. I WANT TO IMPORE YOU TO BE THAT
7 TODAY, TO BE AN AGENT OF CHANGE, TO SUPPORT THE RULE OF LAW,
8 TO SUPPORT THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT, AND TO SUPPORT THE
9 EXPRESSION OF THAT AS IT'S DICTATED IN GARZA V. L.A. COUNTY.
10 AND FOR THAT, THE ONLY OPTION THAT YOU HAVE IS TO SUPPORT T-1.
11 T-1 EMBODIES BOTH THE SPIRIT OF LAW AND THE LETTER OF THE LAW.
12 AND THE STATUS QUO IS UNACCEPTABLE. AND SO I WILL SAY TO YOU
13 AS PEOPLE SAY TO ME TOO FREQUENTLY WHAT PART OF THE LAW DON'T
14 YOU UNDERSTAND? WHAT PART OF LEGAL DON'T YOU GET? YOU HAVE AN
15 OPPORTUNITY TODAY TO FACILITATE CHANGE WE KNOW IS INEVITABLE.
16 I URGE YOU TO FACILITATE THAT CHANGE. DON'T LITIGATE IT.
17 FACILITATE THAT CHANGE. BE AN AGENT OF CHANGE AND PROGRESS.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SENATOR. THANK YOU. LET ME
20 ALSO CALL UP. [APPLAUSE.] PLEASE, SERGEANT REMOVE THOSE ARE
21 KEEPING THE CHEER. I'M TELLING YOU. ALEX REZA, ELSA LOPEZ,
22 CAROL JACQUES. CLARA SOLIS? YES, SIR.

23

24 **STEVEN REYES:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS STEVE REYES. I SERVED
25 AS A MEMBER OF THE BOUNDARY REVIEW COMMITTEE FOR DISTRICT 1.



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1 DURING THE B.R.C.'S DELIBERATIONS, THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT WAS
2 THE 100-POUND GORILLA IN THE ROOM THAT SPECIAL COUNSEL DID NOT
3 WANT TO DISCUSS OR PROPERLY PLAN FOR. THE FACT THAT AT OUR
4 HEARINGS, THE PUBLIC TELEGRAPHED THAT THEY WOULD SUBMIT PLANS
5 WITH AN ADDITIONAL LATINO MAJORITY DISTRICT DEMANDED THAT THE
6 VOTING RIGHTS ACT CONSIDERATIONS NOT BE CONSIDERED AS A
7 PERIPHERAL CONCERN. DESPITE OUR CONCERTED EFFORTS, SPECIAL
8 COUNSEL FAILED TO PROVIDE THE B.R.C. WITH ANY TOOLS TO ANALYZE
9 THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT COMPLIANCE. THE RESULT, THE COMMISSION
10 NOT INCLUDING 1 AND 2 APPOINTEES. RECOMMENDED A LEGALLY
11 DEFICIENT PLAN, A-3, THAT IGNORED THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT. THAT
12 GLARING OMISSION FORCED DISTRICT 1 AND DISTRICT 2 MEMBERS TO
13 PREPARE A 400-PAGE REPORT ANALYZING ALL APPLICABLE LAWS
14 INCLUDING THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT. THAT REPORT PROVIDES THIS
15 BOARD WITH A CHOICE OF REPEATING HISTORY OR LEARNING FROM IT.
16 EARLIER TODAY YOU HEARD FROM TWO WOMEN WHO THIS COUNTRY
17 ILLEGALLY DEPORTED. AND DESPITE THAT TRAGEDY, THEY WERE HERE
18 TODAY REAFFIRMING THEIR BELIEF IN OUR DEMOCRACY. PLEASE DO NOT
19 LET THEM DOWN.

20

21 **ALEX REZA:** MY NAME IS ALEX REZA, I'M ACTIVE IN SEVERAL
22 COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS OUT IN THE EAST AND NORTHEAST
23 SAN FERNANDO VALLEY. I'M HERE TO ADVOCATE FOR FAIR
24 REPRESENTATION OF THE LATINO COMMUNITY AND THAT MEANS I
25 SUPPORT GLORIA MOLINA'S PLAN AND MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS'S PLAN.



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1 THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR MOLINA. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR THOMAS FOR
2 YOUR COURAGEOUS LEADERSHIP. 20 YEARS AGO I WAS TEACHING
3 GOVERNMENT AT SAN FERNANDO HIGH SCHOOL, AND ACTUALLY ONE OF MY
4 STUDENTS WAS ALEX PADILLA THAT YOU HEARD FROM EARLIER TODAY.
5 AND I FOLLOWED THE GARZA CASE VERY CLOSELY. I ALSO, BY THE
6 WAY, TAUGHT MY STUDENTS ABOUT THE MENDEZ CASE. AND I REMEMBER
7 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH FIGHTING TO THE BITTER END TO APPEAL THE
8 GARZA CASE, AND SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, YOU LOST. LET'S NOT
9 REPEAT THAT MISTAKE AGAIN. LET'S NOT REPEAT HISTORY. LET'S
10 MAKE HISTORY!

11

12 **CAROL JAQUES:** MY NAME IS CAROL JAQUES. I AM A CITIZEN OF LOS
13 ANGELES. MY GRANDFATHER CAME HERE IN 1907. I LIVED AND WAS
14 BORN IN PALOS VERDE, WHAT YOU NOW KNOW AS DODGERS STADIUM. I
15 AM HERE TO REPRESENT MY GRANDPARENTS AND ALL THOSE THAT DID
16 NOT HAVE A VOICE BECAUSE THEY HAD NO REPRESENTATION. MOST OF
17 THEM MOVED OUT SILENTLY BECAUSE THEY KNEW THEY HAD NO
18 REPRESENTATION. THOSE FEW THAT SPOKE UP WERE NOT LISTENED TO.
19 I ASK YOU TODAY TO VOTE FOR T-1 OR S-2 BECAUSE LOS ANGELES
20 DOES NOT HAVE A PRETTY HISTORY. AT THE TURN OF THE CENTURY
21 THERE WAS A WATER FOUNTAIN THAT ONLY PEOPLE OF COLOR COULD
22 DRINK OUT OF. IN 1909, THE CITY COUNCIL VOTED AGAINST FREE
23 SPEECH EVERYWHERE EXCEPT AT THE SOCOLO IN LOS ANGELES. TODAY
24 ALL OF YOU WILL BE MAKING HISTORY. YOU'RE NOT VOTING FOR A
25 LATINO. YOU'RE VOTING TO GIVE REPRESENTATION TO THE PEOPLE



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1 THAT LIVE HERE IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. I ASK THAT YOU
2 VOTE WITH GLORIA MOLINA.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** CLARA SOLIS, YVONNE GARCIA AND ALAN
5 CLAYTON. YES, MA'AM.

6

7 **CLARA SOLIS:** CLARA SOLIS FROM THE EAST L.A. I-710 ADVISORY
8 COMMITTEE. I SUPPORT THE T-1 AND S-2 PLANS. EAST L.A. IS
9 DISSECTED AND POLLUTED BY FOUR MAJOR FREEWAYS. WHEN THERE WAS
10 TALK OF EXPANDING THE I-710 FREEWAY, THE NUMBER 1 CONCERN WAS
11 AIR POLLUTION. CHILDREN IN OUR COMMUNITIES SUFFER
12 DISPROPORTIONATELY FROM ASTHMA AND OTHER RESPIRATORY
13 ILLNESSES. WHEN FREEWAYS WERE PLANNED, WE DIDN'T HAVE
14 REPRESENTATION. INDEED, GARZA VERSUS L.A. COUNTY FOUND
15 INTENTIONAL DISCRIMINATION AGAINST LATINOS IN REDISTRICTING
16 FROM 1959 TO 1981. TODAY WE HAVE A VOICE AT THE TABLE,
17 SUPERVISOR MOLINA. NOW ANY EXPANSION OF THE I-710 FREEWAY HAS
18 TO BE DONE IN A MANNER THAT WILL NOT INCREASE AIR POLLUTION
19 ALONG THE CORRIDOR. THIS BENEFITS THE ENTIRE REGION. IT'S BEEN
20 SUGGESTED THAT IF THERE ARE TWO LATINO DISTRICTS, THE
21 ENVIRONMENT WILL SUFFER. THE OPPOSITE IS TRUE. AS I-710 SHOWS,
22 WE CARE ABOUT ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE. WE WANT AIR POLLUTION
23 REDUCED.

24

25 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, MA'AM. THANK YOU.



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2 **CLARA SOLIS:** FOLLOW THE LAW.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LAURA GOMEZ? GUILERMO GUTIERREZ? JORGE
5 CORRALEJO? ILLECE BUCKLEY WEBER? ILLECE BUCKLEY WEBER? OKAY,
6 ALAN.

7

8 **ALAN CLAYTON:** THANK YOU, MAYOR ANTONOVICH, OTHER BOARD
9 MEMBERS. MY NAME IS ALAN CLAYTON. I'VE BEEN INVOLVED IN COUNTY
10 REDISTRICTING GOING BACK INTO THE '80S. BEEN THROUGH THE
11 MEETINGS GOING OVER THE LAST 30, MANY, MANY YEARS LET'S PUT
12 IT. AND I SEE A NUMBER OF THE BOARD MEMBERS HERE. THIS IS A
13 TOUGH ISSUE, I UNDERSTAND THAT. I IMPORE YOU TO TAKE A REALLY
14 GOOD LOOK AT TRYING TO RESOLVE THIS. GOING THROUGH FEDERAL
15 COURT IS A VERY TOUGH, CONTENTIOUS PROCESS. VERY EXPENSIVE. I
16 REMEMBER THE GARZA CASE. I SAT IN AND WATCHED PARTS OF THE
17 TRIAL. TRY TO THINK OUT A WAY IF YOU CAN WORK IT OUT, TRY TO
18 PUT YOUR THOUGHTS TOGETHER. THERE'S A LOT OF VERY TALENTED
19 GROUP OF PEOPLE ON THIS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. TRY TO COME UP
20 WITH A COMPROMISE THAT MEETS THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT THAT ALSO
21 GIVES INCUMBENTS THE ABILITY TO BE ABLE TO RUN CAMPAIGNS. WHEN
22 I DRAW MAPS, I TRY TO TREAT INCUMBENTS AS FAIRLY AS POSSIBLE
23 AND TRY TO COMPLY WITH THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT. I REALLY HOPE
24 YOU TAKE THE TIME AND THINK ABOUT THIS, A HISTORIC VOTE.
25 PLEASE DON'T VOTE HASTILY.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, ALAN. GINA ALONSO? GINA
3 ALONSO? GEORGIA THOMPSON? GEORGIA THOMPSON? EUGENE HERNANDEZ?
4 EUGENE HERNANDEZ? MARGARITA LOPEZ? MARGARITA LOPEZ? YES,
5 MA'AM. OKAY. YES, MA'AM.

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7 **TRINIDAD GOMEZ:** (SPANISH).

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

10

11 **INTERPRETER:** FIRST OF ALL I WOULD LIKE TO TAKE A MOMENT TO
12 THANK GOD FOR BEING HERE. AND I ALSO WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR
13 GLORIA MOLINA FOR ALL THE GREAT SERVICES THAT SHE HAS PROVIDED
14 FOR THE COMMUNITY, ESPECIALLY FOR PROVIDING THE BUSES.
15 SUPERVISORS, I HAVE TO ASK YOU TO SUPPORT PLAN T-1 AND S-2,
16 WHICH WOULD CREATE A NEW SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT. PLEASE
17 PROTECT THE CONSTITUTION AND THE BORDERS. WE DEMAND JUSTICE.
18 THAT'S WHAT SHE HAD INITIALLY HAD WRITTEN IN HER TESTIMONY.
19 THANK YOU.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP ROGER
22 PUGLIESE AND DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. YES, MA'AM.

23

24 **YVONNE GARCIA:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS YVONNE GARCIA. I'M A
25 THIRD YEAR STUDENT AT SOUTHWESTERN LAW SCHOOL AND I'M ALSO A



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1 TEACHING ASSISTANT FOR DR. CHRISTOPHER DAVID RUIZ CAMERON. I'M
2 HERE TO SUBMIT TESTIMONY THAT PROFESSOR CAMERON IS UNABLE TO
3 DELIVER TODAY IN PERSON. PROFESSOR CAMERON'S TESTIMONY IS
4 ABOUT THE LONG HISTORY OF THE SUPPRESSION OF LATINOS' RIGHTS
5 IN L.A. COUNTY. THIS HISTORY BEGAN IN 1848 WITH THE
6 DISPOSITION OF LAND OWNED BY FORMER MEXICAN CITIZENS UNDER THE
7 TREATY OF GUADALUPE HILDALGO AND CONTINUES TODAY. A TOTAL OF
8 15 EXAMPLES OF HOW THE RIGHTS OF LATINOS HAVE BEEN SUPPRESSED
9 ARE SET FORTH IN PROFESSOR CAMERON'S WRITTEN TESTIMONY. THESE
10 EXAMPLES INCLUDE THE COURT'S REFUSAL TO HOLD L.A. COUNTY
11 U.S.C. MEDICAL CENTER ACCOUNTABLE FOR THE FORCED STERILIZATION
12 OF SPANISH SPEAKING WOMEN IN 1981 AND THE PASSAGE OF
13 PROPOSITION 227 IN 1998 WHICH BANNED MOST FORMS OF BILINGUAL
14 EDUCATION IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS, DESPITE THE FACT THAT 63 PERCENT
15 OF LATINOS OPPOSED IT. I ASK THAT PROFESSOR CAMERON'S WRITTEN
16 TESTIMONY BE ENTERED INTO THE RECORD. THANK YOU.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YES, MA'AM.

19

20 **GINA ALONSO:** I'M NEXT? GOOD AFTERNOON, MEMBERS OF THE L.A.
21 COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. I'M GINA ALONSO, MEMBER OF HOPE,
22 HISPANICS ORGANIZED FOR POLITICAL EQUALITY. I AM HERE TODAY TO
23 VOICE MY STRONG SUPPORT FOR THE T-1 PLAN, THE VOTING RIGHTS
24 ACT COMPLIANCE MAP, AND THE S-2 PLAN. THE A-3 MAP, THE STATUS
25 QUO, IS NOT GOOD ENOUGH FOR THE 48 PERCENT OF LATINO



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1 COMMUNITY. IT'S NOT GOOD ENOUGH. IF PRESIDENT ABRAHAM LINCOLN
2 WOULD HAVE THOUGHT THAT THE STATUS QUO WAS ALL RIGHT, WE WOULD
3 NOT HAVE A PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA OR OUR SUPERVISOR MARK
4 RIDLEY-THOMAS TODAY. YOU TOOK AN OATH WHEN YOU BECAME
5 SUPERVISORS TO FOLLOW THE LAW. 20 YEARS AGO YOU SPENT 16
6 MILLION AND LOST THE LAWSUIT. AT A TIME WHEN WE HAVE AN
7 ECONOMIC RECESSION, ARE YOU GOING TO SPEND 32 MILLION OR MORE
8 OF THE HARD-EARNED TAXPAYERS' MONEY TO LOSE AGAIN? WE ARE
9 CONFIDENT THAT YOU WILL MAKE THE RIGHT DECISION, FOLLOW THE
10 LAW AND AVOID A COSTLY LAWSUIT. (SPANISH.)

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL,
13 PAUL RUBENSTEIN? PAUL RUBENSTEIN? HAROLD HELSLEY? HAROLD
14 HELSLEY? LEE RINGER? LEE RINGER? YES, MA'AM.

15

16 **MARGARITA LOPEZ:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS MARGARITA LOPEZ.
17 I'M A CSUN STUDENT AND STUDENT ORGANIZER IN THE SAN FERNANDO
18 VALLEY. I AM HERE TO ASK YOU TO PLEASE SUPPORT T-1 OR S-2. I
19 ASK YOU TO MAKE AN HONORABLE DECISION, ONE THAT WON'T VIOLATE
20 THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT. I ASK YOU TO MAKE HISTORY TODAY AND NOT
21 REPEAT IT. I ASK YOU TO ALLOW ESPECIALLY THE YOUTH WHO ARE
22 HERE TODAY TO WALK AWAY WITH PRIDE IN THAT THEIR PRESENCE WAS
23 NOT IN VAIN. DON'T FORGET THAT THE SAME YOUTH ARE THE FUTURE
24 VOTERS AND WILL REMEMBER YOU AS EITHER THE REPRESENTATIVES WHO
25 -- SORRY, I'M A LITTLE ILL. REPRESENTATIVES WHO HELPED MAKE



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1 SURE THAT THEIR INTERESTS WERE MET OR EITHER THEIR
2 REPRESENTATIVES WHO TOOK INTEREST IN THEIR OWN POCKETS. THANK
3 YOU SO MUCH. PLEASE SUPPORT T-1 OR S-2.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. JULES FEIR? JULES FEIR?
6 CHUCK BETZ? OR BETZ? JOSE GONZALEZ? CLAY STEWARD? CLAY
7 STEWARD? BRITTANY TOBAR? BRITTANY TOBAR? JOEL RUCKER? JOEL
8 RUCKER? ROLENE NAVEJA? NAVEJA? DANIEL ROMERO? DANIEL ROMERO?
9 RUBEN REYES? RUBEN REYES? WE NEED AN INTERPRETER FOR RUBEN.
10 YES, SIR.

11

12 **ROGER PUGLIESE:** GOD AFTERNOON. IS THIS ON? MY NAME IS ROGER
13 PUGLIESE. I AM THE CHAIR OF THE TOPANGA ASSOCIATION FOR A
14 SCENIC COMMUNITY AND WE ARE TOTALLY IN SUPPORT OF A-3. A
15 SECOND 1,000 RESIDENTS HAVE AUTHORIZED ME ALSO TO SPEAK IN
16 FAVOR OF A-3. IT WAS MENTIONED EARLIER THAT T-1 WAS FAIR AND
17 EQUITABLE. WELL, I HAVE TO TELL YOU THAT T-1 IS NOT FAIR AND
18 EQUITABLE TO EVERYONE THAT'S IN THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS. IT
19 DISENFRANCHISES ALL OF US. FOR US, IT'S NOT ABOUT RACE. WE
20 VOTED FOR ZEV YAROSLAVSKY AND WE THAT SHOULD BE DETERMINED BY
21 AN ELECTION. AND AS I SIT HERE, I LISTEN TO VARIOUS SPEAKERS
22 TALK ABOUT DIVERSIFICATION. THIS DISTRICT IS VERY DIVERSIFIED.
23 SO WE STAY WITH A-3. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

24

25 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. YES, SIR.



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JOSE GONZALEZ: MY NAME IS JOSE GONZALEZ. THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK TO YOU TODAY. I REPRESENT THE EAST LOS BUSINESSES COLLABORATIVE. AND I KNOW I'VE BEEN BEFORE YOU MANY TIMES ON MANY DIFFERENT ISSUES. AND I JUST WANTED TO SAY THAT I APPLAUD YOUR YEARS OF SERVICE AND WOULD REALLY LIKE TO SEE YOUR LEADERSHIP OVER THE NEXT COUPLE OF YEARS IN MAKING SURE THAT AS YOU LEAVE OFFICE, THAT YOU PROVIDE FOR US AN OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE HISTORY, NOT AN OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE HISTORY IN THE NEGATIVE AND GO OUT OF OFFICE AS A RESULT OF AN ELECTION THAT YOU WERE NOT A PART OF MAKING HAPPEN. WE IN OUR COMMUNITY, I'VE HEARD A LOT OF PEOPLE TALK ABOUT THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS AND ALL THOSE KINDS OF THINGS. WELL YOU KNOW LATINOS, WE APPRECIATE THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS. WE HAD THEM BEFORE. A LOT OF PEOPLE HERE HAD THEM HERE AS MEXICANS. AND SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

17

SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: THANK YOU SIR. DEBRA BIANCO? DEBRA BIANCO? ZINA JOSEPHS? ZINA JOSEPHS. YES, SIR.

20

JOEL RUCKER: MY NAME IS JOEL RUCKER, I'M FROM THE SAN FERNANDO, NORTHEAST L.A. SAN FERNANDO VALLEY AREA. IT SEEMS THE ISSUE HERE, I'VE BEEN HERE ALL DAY, IS THAT WE'RE LOOKING AT THE ELECTABILITY OF CANDIDATES. IN MY AREA, WE HAVE NO PROBLEM WITH THAT POSSIBILITY OF LATINOS BEING REPRESENTED.



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1 FOR THAT REASON, I SEE AND I APPROVE OF A-3 AND SEE NO FACTORS
2 AND OPPOSE T-1 AND T2. THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SIR. YES, SIR.

5

6 **DANIEL ROMERO:** HI, MY NAME IS DANIEL ROMERO AND I AM OPPOSED
7 OF THE PLAN A-3. THE REASON WHY IS BECAUSE IT'S
8 UNCONSTITUTIONAL AND THE CENSUS SAYS THAT THERE'S MORE PEOPLE
9 NOW IN THE DISTRICT AND THEY SHOULD DIVIDE IT AND BECOME MORE
10 DIVIDED, AND THE LATINO COMMUNITY WILL HAVE A VOICE. AND LAST
11 TIME I CHECKED, THIS GOVERNMENT WAS BY THE PEOPLE AND FOR THE
12 PEOPLE. AND THE LATINO COMMUNITY HAS A VOICE AND SHOULD BE
13 HEARD.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP JAVIER
16 ORTIZ? JAVIER ORTIZ? AND DEANA VITELA? VITELA? YES, MA'AM?

17

18 **DEBRA BIANCO:** HI. MY NAME IS DEBRA BIANCO AND I AM THE
19 PRESIDENT OF THE CORNUCOPIA FOUNDATION. I'M A RESIDENT OF
20 MALIBU. AND FIRST OF ALL, WE OPPOSE S-2, T-1 AND ARE FOR A-3
21 OR A-B. THIS IS NOT A CONTEST TO SEE WHO IS GOING TO RUN L.A.
22 COUNTY. I MEAN IF ANYBODY HAS WORKED CLOSELY WITH THE
23 DISTRICT, THEY KNOW WHAT HARD WORKERS THEY ARE. I MEAN, WITH
24 MY OWN EXPERIENCE, WHETHER IT'S A LITTLE PROBLEM OR A HUGE
25 DISASTER, I'M TALKING DISASTERS, THEIR STAFF IS THERE AROUND



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1 THE CLOCK. THEY PICK UP THE PHONES FOR THE LITTLE NEEDS AS
2 WELL AS THEY ARE THERE FOR THE BIG NEEDS. WE DO NOT HAVE A
3 PROBLEM WITH THIS DISTRICT. WE NEED THIS DISTRICT. YES, THE
4 LATINOS, I MEAN LOOK AT THE COLOR OF MY SKIN, BY THE WAY, IT'S
5 BROWN. LATINOS, THEY HAVE A RIGHT. BUT THERE'S NOTHING WRONG
6 WITH OUR DISTRICT. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME. PLEASE VOTE.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. MARLENE ARAZO? ARAZO? JOSE
9 GOMEZ? VINCENT HARO? VINCENT HARO? YES MA'AM.

10

11 **ZINA JOSEPHS:** THANK YOU, I'M ZINA JOSEPHS AND I'M HERE TO
12 SPEAK FOR FRIENDS OF SUNSET PARK WHICH IS A CITY RECOGNIZED
13 NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATION IN THE CITY OF SANTA MONICA WHICH
14 REPRESENTS APPROXIMATELY 13,000 RESIDENTS. WE URGE YOU TO
15 PRESERVE THE THIRD SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT AS IT IS PRESENTLY
16 CONSTITUTED. THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS, THE LAST REMAINING
17 RELATIVELY NATURAL HABITAT FROM LOS ANGELES TO THE MEXICAN
18 BORDER, BIND TOGETHER THE THIRD DISTRICT COMMUNITIES. THE
19 PROPOSALS TO COMBINE SANTA MONICA IN A DISTRICT WITH
20 COMMUNITIES AS FAR AWAY AS LONG BEACH MAKE NO SENSE TO US.
21 ISSUES CONCERNING THE ECOSYSTEM OF THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS
22 SUCH AS GUARDING AGAINST WILDFIRES HAVE LITTLE IN COMMON WITH
23 ISSUES AFFECTING THE PORT OF LONG BEACH. THE FRIENDS BOARD
24 SUPPORTS THE A-3 PLAN BECAUSE IT WILL KEEP THE SANTA MONICA



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1 MOUNTAINS AS THE CENTERPIECE OF THE COMPACT THIRD DISTRICT.

2 THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP EDWARD

5 VAILL. EDWARD VALLEY OR VAILL? VAILL? KENNETH WHEELAND?

6 CECILIA YEH. CECILIA YEH. YES, SIR.

7

8 **JAVIER ORTIZ:** GOOD DAY, ALL. I AM JAVIER ANGEL ORTIZ. I AM 18

9 AND IN REPRESENTATION OF LA CASA YOUTH PROGRAM. I AM HERE AS A

10 CONCERNED CITIZEN OF EAST LOS ANGELES AND IN SUPPORT OF THE

11 BEAUTIFUL AND HONORABLE GLORIA MOLINA IN THE T-1 OR S-2 PLANS.

12 I AM OPPOSITION OF THE A-3 PLAN. IT BAFFLES ME THAT THE A-3

13 MAP RESTRICTS THE BOUNDARIES TO PRETTY MUCH STAY THE SAME AS

14 THE WAY IT WAS ESTABLISHED, WHICH WAS 20 YEARS AGO. I'M PRETTY

15 SURE YOU GUYS HAVE SEEN ALL THE STATISTICS, SO I DON'T HAVE TO

16 GO OVER THAT. THE PROBLEM AREN'T THE LATINOS IS A POPULATION

17 GROWTH. SIMPLE MATH. AND OTHER PEOPLE LIKE TALK ABOUT RURAL

18 AREAS, BUT LIKE THE PEOPLE THAT MOLINA'S REPRESENTING LIVE

19 LIKE IN URBANIZED AREAS AND SINCE THE POPULATION HAS GROWN SO

20 HAS VIOLENCE AND CRIME AND STUFF THAT OTHER PEOPLE HAVEN'T

21 REALLY GONE OVER. IT IS ILLOGICAL THAT AS THE POPULACE GROWS

22 TO CREATE A SIXTH DISTRICT FOR MOLINA TO GET THE SUPPORT SHE

23 NEEDS.

24



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THANK YOU, SIR.

2 LET ME ALSO CALL UP IS CECILIA YEH? ANDREA WALKER? ANDREA
3 WALKER. YES, MA'AM.

4

5 **MARLENE ARAZO:** MAYOR, WITH ALL RESPECT, MAYOR, WHEN I TALK CAN
6 YOU LOOK AT ME? WHEN YOU TALK, I LOOK AT YOU. MY NAME IS
7 MARLENE ARAZO, AND I AM 16 YEARS OLD AND A STUDENT AT LA CAUSA
8 AND A YOUTH AT LEGACY L.A. I AM HERE TO SUPPORT GLORIA
9 MOLINA'S PLAN T-1 AND S-2. I OPPOSE TO A-3 BECAUSE I GREW UP
10 WITH NO RESOURCES AND I AM SURE I AM NOT THE ONLY LATINA THAT
11 DID. IT IS NO FUN LIVING NEXT TO A 10 FREEWAY IN BETWEEN TWO
12 TRAINS AND SURROUNDED BY FACTORIES. I BELIEVE A SECOND COUNTY
13 DISTRICT RUN BY HISPANIC IS NECESSARY AND MORE PROGRAMS, AS
14 WELL. SO I CLOSE MY SPEECH WITH A QUOTE I PICKED UP ON MY WAY
15 IN. MAKE HISTORY DON'T REPEAT HISTORY AND TOGETHER WE CAN DO
16 IT. AND, GLORIA, YOU ARE A GOOD ROLE MODEL IN MY HOUSE. THANK
17 YOU. EFREN MARTINEZ? CHANTHY YI? CHANTHY YI? MARIA LOURDES
18 PEREYA EMERIO? WE'LL NEED A TRANSLATOR FOR MARIA. YES SIR.

19

20 **VINCENT HARO:** HI, MY NAME IS VINCENT HARO. I'M FROM LA CAUSA
21 YOUTH PROGRAM IN EAST LOS ANGELES IN SUPPORT OF MOLINA'S T-1
22 AND S-2 PLAN, IN OPPOSITION OF A-3. THANK YOU TO ALL MY
23 LATINOS IN SUPPORT OF SUPERVISOR MOLINA.

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1 **EDWARD VAILL:** MY NAME IS EDWARD VAILL. I'M A 37-YEAR MALIBU
2 RESIDENT. FORMER MEMBER OF ITS PLANNING COMMISSION AND PARKS
3 AND RECREATION COMMISSION. I SUPPORT A-3 FOR THE REASONS
4 STATED BY FRAN PAVLEY, JULIA BROWNLEY AND THE MEMBERS OF THE
5 MALIBU CITY COUNCIL. I OPPOSE T-1. IT WOULD SURGICALLY REMOVE
6 OUR SUPERVISOR, ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, WHO'S DONE AN EXCELLENT JOB.
7 IT WOULD MAKE OUR DISTRICT LOOK LIKE A SALAMANDER. I HAVE A
8 FURTHER SOLUTION WHICH MIGHT MAKE SENSE TO EVERYBODY HERE.
9 INCREASE THE NUMBER OF L.A. COUNTY SUPERVISORS FROM FIVE TO
10 SEVEN. THERE ARE TOO MANY PEOPLE IN L.A. TO BE REPRESENTED BY
11 ONLY FIVE SUPERVISORS. AND REFERENCE TO A PRIOR SPEAKER'S
12 COMMENT, THE CHUMASH INDIANS HAD ALL OF THE SANTA MONICA
13 MOUNTAINS BEFORE ANY OF US HERE. THANK YOU.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. CRISTINA ALONZO. CRISTINA
16 ALONZO. ANGELA CAMPOS? ANGELA CAMPOS? RAFAEL BUENO? TEODORA
17 CARNALLA? NATIVIDAD CARRERA? CEOGIO AMAYA? LUCILA ESQUIBEL?
18 BALTAZAR ESTRADA? BALTAZAR ESTRADA. BLANCA GARCIA? BLANCA
19 GARCIA? ATILIO GONZALEZ? ATILIO GONZALEZ? LIVIER GONZALEZ?
20 MARIA GONZALEZ. MARIA GONZALEZ. FELIX HERNANDEZ, FELIX
21 HERNANDEZ? DOMINGO LOPEZ. CYNTHIA FLORES. ANN FRANZEN.
22 EURIGUETA LOPEZ. MANUEL MALDONADO? ABELINO PABLO? ZENAIDA
23 RIVERA? RACHEL SANTOS? MIGUEL ANGEL SOLIS? ANA MARIA ROBLES?
24 SANDRA UYHEUARI. SAN PEDRO. JOSEFINA TORRES. MARIA POLANCO.
25 GABRIEL MANCILLA. YENI ENRIQUEZ. DORA CRUZ? JUAN SANUDO DNS.



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1 EULALIA CHAVEZ. EULALIA CHAVEZ. CANDELARIA VENTURA. CANDELARIA
2 VENTURA. OSIRIS MEDINAS. STEPHANIE MARTINEZ. STEPHANIE
3 MARTINEZ. RAFAEL MORALES?

4

5 **SPEAKER:** T-1.

6

7 **SPEAKER:** S-2 T-1. CHANTING!

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** PLEASE HAVE THAT PERSON REMOVED FROM
10 THE BOARDROOM AT THIS TIME. YOU ARE NOW GOING TO BE ORDERED
11 OUT OF THIS MEETING. ROSA CASTANEDA? ROSA CASTANEDA? MARIA
12 CASTILLO? MARIA CASTILLO? CINDY CLEGHORN? CINDY CLEGHORN?
13 CAN'T BELIEVE PEOPLE SIGN UP AND DON'T SHOW UP. PAZ JARAMILL?
14 PAZ JARAMILL? WHY DON'T YOU GO ON. I'LL CALL SOME MORE NAMES.
15 YOU'RE ON.

16

17 **EFREN MARTINEZ:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME
18 IS EFREN MARTINEZ, ACTIVE MEMBER OF THE EMPOWERMENT CONGRESS
19 AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE FLORENCE-FIRESTONE WALNUT PARK
20 CHAMBER OF COMMERCE LOCATED IN UNINCORPORATED AREA OF THE
21 COUNTY AND REPRESENTED BY BOTH SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS
22 AND GLORIA MOLINA. ALTHOUGH OUR COMMUNITY WOULD ENCOUNTER A
23 CHANGE OF SUPERVISOR, OUR CHAMBER, OUR BUSINESSES, OUR
24 RESIDENTS AND THE FLORENCE-FIRESTONE AND WALNUT PARK
25 COMMUNITIES ALL AGREE WITH AND STRONGLY SUPPORT THE MAP



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1 PROPOSALS BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA AND RIDLEY-THOMAS, WHICH WOULD
2 CREATE TWO LATINO SUPERVISOR DISTRICTS WHILE KEEPING A
3 COMPETITIVE AFRICAN-AMERICAN DISTRICT. A FULLY REPRESENTED
4 DEMOCRACY SHOULD REFLECT THE DIVERSITY, ASPIRATIONS AND NEEDS
5 OF ITS CONSTITUENTS THAT IS BEING SERVED BY THE ELECTED BODY,
6 THEREFORE WE ASK THAT YOU COMPLY WITH THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT
7 AND SUPPORT EITHER T-1 OR S-2 MAP PROPOSALS. THANK YOU VERY
8 MUCH FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. DASH STOLARZ? DASH? MARIA
11 MALDONADO? RICARDO MUNOZ? RICARDO MUNOZ? RAMONA MURANA? DARRYL
12 SMITH? DARRYL SMITH? MARIA OCHOA? MARIA OCHOA? OKAY. YES, SIR.
13 YOU'RE NEXT.

14

15 **JESSI AMAYA:** HELLO. MY NAME IS JESSI AMAYA. I'M A STUDENT
16 WHICH REPRESENTS LA CAUSA YOUTH OF EAST LOS ANGELES AND WE
17 REPRESENT GLORIA MOLINA. WE SUPPORT 1-T AND S-2 MAP. PLEASE
18 SUPPORT US. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. ARTHUR NISSMAN. ARTHUR
21 NISSMAN. YES, SIR. WHOEVER.

22

23 **ABELINO PABLO:** (SPANISH) .

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1 **INTERPRETER:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MARTIN LUTHER KING AND CESAR
2 CHAVEZ, THEY BELIEVED IN THE PEOPLE. GLORIA MOLINA IS --
3 PEOPLE WHO ARE VENDORS ON SIXTH STREET. WE SUPPORT T-1 AND S-
4 2. WE APPRECIATE GLORIA MOLINA, LATINOS ARE EXPANDING AND
5 WORKING TOGETHER (SPANISH) -- THIS COUNTRY AND THIS CITY AND
6 TO FIGHT FOR OUR COUNTRY AND OUR CITY. THANK YOU. ABELINO
7 PABLO.

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** AND WHO'S NEXT? IDENTIFY YOURSELF PLEASE?

10

11 **ROBERT ZARDENETA:** MY NAME IS ROBERT ZARDENETA, I'M THE
12 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF LA CAUSA YOUTH BUILD IN EAST LOS
13 ANGELES. AND I'M HERE TODAY TO SUPPORT SUPERVISOR MOLINA'S T-1
14 AND SUPERVISOR RIDLEY THOMAS'S S-2 PLANS AND I VEHEMENTLY
15 OPPOSE A-3. AT LA CAUSA WE TEACH OUR STUDENTS THE IMPORTANCE
16 OF REVISING HISTORY AND WE TEACH THEM ALSO THE DANGERS OF
17 RELIVING HISTORY. ON THAT NOTE, TO PARAPHRASE PRESIDENT OBAMA,
18 THIS ISSUE ISN'T AN ISSUE OF RACIAL WARFARE, IT'S SIMPLY AN
19 ISSUE OF MATH, RIGHT? SO 48 PERCENT IS 48 PERCENT. ONE-FIFTH
20 OF LATINOS BEING REPRESENTED ON A BOARD IS STILL 20 PERCENT,
21 RIGHT? SO AS A GRADUATE OF GARFIELD HIGH SCHOOL AND A STUDENT
22 OF JAIME ESCALANTE, MY MATH'S PRETTY GOOD, I THINK.

23 [LAUGHTER.] SO IT'S IMPORTANT FOR OUR COMMUNITY'S LEADERSHIP
24 TO REFLECT THE YOUNG LEADERS IN OUR COMMUNITY. AND AS AN
25 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, IF I WAS TO PROPOSE A PROPOSAL TO THE



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1 COUNTY FOR FUNDING USING 20-YEAR-OLD CENSUS DATA, I DON'T
2 THINK IT WOULD BE, YOU KNOW, OBVIOUSLY IT WOULDN'T BE
3 ACCEPTABLE. SO I SUPPORT T-1 AND S-2. THANK YOU.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. LET ME CALL UP
6 FRANK ANGEL. MARIA OCHOA, ANNA OLIVARES, LYNN PLEMBECK? MARIA
7 RAMIREZ. OBDULIA ROBLES. JERRY SAUNDERS. JERRY SAUNDERS.
8 ALEXIA TERAN. ALEXIA TERAN. DANNY AGUILAR? DANNY AGUILAR?
9 MORALES ANAISA? ANAISA? MARIA ANDOAGA? YES, MA'AM.

10

11 **DASH STOLARZ:** HI, GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS DASH STOLARZ AND
12 I'M A 20-YEAR RESIDENT OF THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS PORTION
13 OF WOODLAND HILLS WHICH IS ONE OF THE COMMUNITIES THAT WOULD
14 BE DISPLACED AND UNDERREPRESENTED BY THE T-1 PLAN. THE SANTA
15 MONICA MOUNTAINS ARE A PRECIOUS REGIONAL RESOURCE THAT WE WORK
16 VERY HARD TO PROTECT FOR EVERYONE. THE MOUNTAINS WILL BE
17 SEVERELY AND NEGATIVELY IMPACTED BY THE T-1 PLAN. MY COMMUNITY
18 AND OUR MOUNTAINS NEED TO BE FAIRLY REPRESENTED AT THE COUNTY
19 LEVEL. I URGE YOU TO VOTE IN FAVOR OF A-3 AMENDED AND SUPPORT
20 COMMUNITY REPRESENTATION OF THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS.

21

22 **RICARDO MUNOZ:** I'M RICARDO MUNOZ. I'M A FORMER -- I'M RETIRED
23 PRESIDING ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE WITH THE STATE OF
24 CALIFORNIA. I'M HERE BASICALLY TO ENCOURAGE YOU TO EXERCISE
25 YOUR INTELLECT, YOUR WISDOM, YOUR COURAGE AND BE INSPIRED A



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1 BIT BY OUR FIRST PRESIDENT, GEORGE WASHINGTON, WHO WAS A
2 PERSON WHO WOULD RELINQUISH POWER. HE WAS A PERSON WHO WAS A
3 GREAT MODEL IN HISTORY FOR ALL NATIONS IN THAT REGARD. AND I
4 UNDERSTAND THAT THERE WOULD BE A RELINQUISHING OF POWER WHEN
5 CHANGES ARE MADE TO THE STATUS QUO. SO THIS IS WHAT I'M
6 ASKING. YOU NEED TO TAKE INTO ACCOUNT THE VOTERS RIGHTS LAW
7 WHEN YOU MAKE YOUR DECISION AND YOU NEED TO SEE HOW THAT WORKS
8 WITH YOUR OUTCOME.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SIR. LET ME ALSO
11 CALL UP RUBEN HERNANDEZ, RUBEN HERNANDEZ AND LETICIA ANDRADE.
12 YES, ANGEL.

13

14 **FRANK ANGEL:** GOOD AFTERNOON MR. MAYOR. FRAN ANGEL, SANTA
15 MONICA CALIFORNIA. I'M A PUBLIC INTEREST LITIGATOR FIGHTING
16 AMONG OTHER THING FOR PUBLIC ACCESS FOR ALL FOR THE COUNTY'S
17 BEAUTIFUL SHORELINE. I APPLAUDED MALDEF 20 YEARS AGO. THEIR
18 VOTING RIGHTS ACT LAWSUIT WAS BADLY NEEDED THEN BUT THIS IS
19 NOW. THAT WAS THEN. THIS IS NOW. NOW IN L.A. COUNTY YOU GAIN
20 ACCESS TO ELECTED OFFICE REGARDLESS OF THE COLOR OF YOUR SKIN.
21 THE COURTS OF THE 21ST CENTURY WILL NOT BE SYMPATHETIC TO
22 GERRYMANDERING RACE-BASED VOTING DISTRICTS THAT DO NOTHING BUT
23 SUPPRESS THE COMMON INTERESTS AND ASPIRATIONS OF A DIVERSE,
24 RACIALLY INTEGRATED ELECTORATE WHILE PLAYING UP DIFFERENCES
25 BASED ON NOTHING BUT THE COLOR OF ONE'S SKIN. THE U.S. SUPREME



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1 COURT'S OPINION IN SHAW VERSUS REED IS THE HANDWRITING ON THE
2 WALL. IN THE COURT'S WORDS, AND I QUOTE "RACIAL
3 GERRYMANDERING, EVEN FOR REMEDIAL PURPOSES MAY BALKANIZE US
4 INTO COMPETING RACIAL FACTIONS, WHICH THREATENS TO CARRY US
5 FURTHER FROM THE GOAL OF A POLITICAL SYSTEM WHERE RACE DOES
6 NOT MATTER."

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. YES, MA'AM.

9

10 **ALEXIA TERAN:** YES. GOOD AFTERNOON. THANK YOU FOR THIS TIME. MY
11 NAME IS ALEXIA TERAN. I'M A COMMISSIONER OF A COMMISSION ON
12 DISABILITY. I ALSO REPRESENT AS BOARD MEMBER THE, THE GREATER
13 -- COUNCIL AND AS SUCH HAVE TO LISTEN TO THE MAJORITY OF THE
14 STAKEHOLDERS. RIGHT NOW MORE OR LESS WE HAVE ABOUT 20,000. MY
15 COMMUNITY'S VERY SMALL BUT WE STILL HAVE TO DO THAT. RIGHT NOW
16 WE THE LATINOS ARE NOT 48 PERCENT. SO THEREFORE WE ARE THE
17 MAJORITY I HAVE A FEW SIGNATURES THAT I COLLECTED IF I MAY
18 TURN IT IN, PLEASE. WE'RE IN SUPPORT OF T-1 AND S-2. THANK YOU
19 VERY MUCH.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. BEFORE I ASK YOU TO SPEAK
22 MR. HERNANDEZ LET ME ALSO CALL UP LETICIA ANDRADE, ANGELA
23 ARELLANO, TERESA AVALOS, LYDIA AVILA, STEPHANIE AYALA? CARL
24 BERQUIST? MARIA BRENES? VICTOR CABALLERO? VALENTINA CARRANZA?
25 CHRISTIAN CEDILLO? MR. HERNANDEZ?



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2 **RUBEN HERNANDEZ:** MY NAME IS RUBEN HERNANDEZ AND I'M THE
3 FOUNDER OF UNIFICATION OF DISABLED LATIN AMERICANS. AND I'M
4 HERE TO SUPPORT S-2 AND T-1. THE REASON IS THIS, SUPERVISORS.
5 THIS IS NOT ABOUT RACE. IT'S NOT. IT'S NOT. IT'S ABOUT
6 FAIRNESS. FAIR GOVERNMENT BRINGS GOOD TO EVERYONE IN THE
7 COUNTY. FAIRNESS. THAT'S THE ONLY THING THAT I ASK. BECAUSE I
8 HAVE BEEN FOR MANY, MANY YEARS, ALMOST 100 YEARS, A CAREGIVER
9 AND COMMUNITY ORGANIZER. AND WHEN I GO TO A COMMUNITY, I DON'T
10 SEE ANYONE'S RACE. I SEE PEOPLE IN NEED. BUT WE NEED TO PAY
11 ATTENTION TO THE NUMBERS. IF THE NUMBERS SAYS 48, IT'S BECAUSE
12 IT'S 48. IT'S NOT MY NUMBER. IT'S THE NUMBERS OF THE CENSUS.
13 SO PLEASE, FAIR GOVERNMENT IS A GOOD GOVERNMENT. THAT'S THE
14 ONLY THING THAT WE ASK. FAIRNESS, FAIRNESS, FAIRNESS. THANK
15 YOU VERY MUCH.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SIR. LET ME ALSO CALL UP
18 MARISELA CERVANTES, ERENDIDA CERVANTES, JOEL CHAVEZ? ANA
19 CUBAS? ANDREA CUX? BLANCA DUENAS? ROSAURA RAMIREZ? L. REFUGIO?
20 JIM ROMAN? WILLIAM SANCHEZ? ROSY SANTANA? LEONARD SCHAEFFER.
21 TANYA STAREVICH? RAFAEL SOLIS? PAULO VELASQUEZ? WHY DON'T YOU
22 GO? WE'LL CALL SOME MORE. YEAH, YOU WERE NEXT. YEAH.

23

24 **CARL BERQUIST:** THANK YOU. MY NAME IS CARL BERQUIST AND I
25 REPRESENT THE COALITION FOR HUMANE IMMIGRANT RIGHTS OF LOS



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1 ANGELES. WE ARE IN STRONG SUPPORT OF T-1 AND S-2 TODAY. THIS
2 IS THE YEAR 2011. THE EYES OF THE NATION ARE UPON US.
3 CALIFORNIA SHOULD BE LEADING THE UNITED STATES AND LOS ANGELES
4 COUNTY, THEIR LARGEST COUNTY IN THE UNITED STATES SHOULD BE
5 LEADING US AND EMBRACING CHANGE AND ADAPTING TO IT, NOT
6 CLINGING TO THE STATUS QUO. THIS IS NOT CHANGE FOR CHANGE
7 SAKE. THIS IS CHANGE FOR THE SAKE OF FAIRNESS AND FOR
8 DEMOCRATIC ACCOUNTABILITY. I WOULD SUGGEST TO YOU THAT
9 COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST AND THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS ARE
10 STRONG AND DYNAMIC ENOUGH TO ADAPT TO THIS CHANGE. WE URGE THE
11 SUPERVISORS TO TAKE THE CENSUS NUMBERS SERIOUSLY AND THE
12 VOTING RIGHTS ACT SERIOUSLY AND VOTE FOR T-1 AND S-2. THANK
13 YOU.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SIR. LET ME CALL UP ROMELIA
16 VENTURA? ARTURO JIMINEZ. NICOLE CHASE? ALFONSAN VILLANUEVA?
17 JONADI GURIVICH? JONADI GURIVICH? JOSEFINA LOPEZ? YES, MA'AM.

18

19 **MARIA BRENES:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS MARIA BRENES. I AM
20 THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF INTERCITY STRUGGLE AND I AM HERE
21 REPRESENTING HUNDREDS OF YOUNG PEOPLE AND PARENTS FROM EAST
22 LOS ANGELES. AND I'M HERE TO OPPOSE A-3 AND SUPPORT S-2 AND T-
23 1 MAPS. THE YOUNG PEOPLE WE HAVE INFORMED ABOUT THIS ISSUE ARE
24 SHOCKED THAT THE HISTORY OF EXCLUSION OF LATINO VOTERS IS
25 REPEATING ITSELF IN MODERN DAY L.A. COUNTY. WE ARE CONCERNED



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1 THAT IF A-3 IS APPROVED, IT WILL CREATE A CHILLING EFFECT IN
2 OUR COMMUNITY, SENDING A MESSAGE THAT LATINO VOTERS DO NOT
3 MATTER AND THE OPPOSITE IS TRUE. WE ASK YOU TO HONOR THAT
4 FACT. A-3 PACKS THE LARGEST CONCENTRATION OF LATINOS INTO ONE
5 DISTRICT, THAT IS A VIOLATION OF THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT, AND IT
6 WILL DILUTE THE VOTE OF LATINOS. BECAUSE RACIALLY-POLARIZED
7 VOTING CONTINUES TODAY IN THE EAST SIDE OF LOS ANGELES, A
8 SIGNIFICANT PORTION OF NONMINORITY VOTERS DID NOT VOTE FOR A
9 QUALIFYING LATINO. WE WILL CONTINUE TO DEMAND JUSTICE.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. YES, MA'AM.

12

13 **MARISELA CERVANTES:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MAYOR ANTONOVICH AND
14 SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS MARISELA CERVANTES. I CURRENTLY LIVE
15 IN THE CITY OF NORWALK, AND IN FACT FOUR GENERATIONS OF MY
16 FAMILY CALLED THE FOURTH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT HOME IN THE
17 NEIGHBORING CITIES OF DOWNEY, PARAMOUNT WHERE I GREW UP,
18 BELLFLOWER AND LONG BEACH. I AM HERE TO EXPRESS MY OPPOSITION
19 TO THE A-3 MAPS BEFORE YOU TODAY. FIRST, THEY FAIL TO
20 ACKNOWLEDGE THE DEMOGRAPHIC CHANGE IN THE SOUTHEASTERN PORTION
21 OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY THAT MY FAMILY HAS BEEN A PART OF FOR
22 OVER 40 YEARS. SECOND, THE A-3 MAP IS DESIGNED SPECIFICALLY TO
23 CONTROL AN ELECTORAL OUTCOME AND NOT ACTUALLY DEAL WITH THE
24 COMPLEX POLICY ISSUES THAT FACE OUR REGION AND OUR COUNTY. MY
25 OWN EXPERIENCE, ADVANCING QUALITY OF LIFE POLICY ISSUES FOR



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1 THE STATE LEGISLATURE, LOCAL GOVERNMENTS IN THE LOS ANGELES
2 UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT TELLS ME THAT THERE IS A BETTER WAY --
3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THANK YOU, MA'AM.
5 YES MA'AM?
6

7 **MARISELA CERVANTES:** T-1 AND D-2 BETTER REPRESENT THOSE. THANK
8 YOU.
9

10 **NICOLE CHASE:** GOOD AFTERNOON MAYOR ANTONOVICH, SUPERVISOR
11 YAROSLAVSKY AND TO ALL THE SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS NICOLE
12 CHASE AND I'M FROM THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY AND I WORK WITH THE
13 BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB OF THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY. THE SAN
14 FERNANDO VALLEY AND COMMUNITIES THROUGHOUT LOS ANGELES COUNTY
15 SHOULD NOT BE UNFAIRLY DIVIDED BY REDISTRICTING PLANS S-2 OR
16 T-1, WHICH I OPPOSE. THE COLOR OF YOUR SKIN OR THE LANGUAGE
17 YOU SPEAK DOES NOT MAKE A COMMUNITY. WHEN FAMILIES MOVE OR
18 RELOCATE TO VARIOUS AREAS OR COMMUNITIES THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY
19 OF LOS ANGELES, THEY WANT THE BENEFITS OF THAT AREA FOR THEIR
20 FAMILIES, BE IT WORK, EDUCATION, LOCAL GOVERNANCE, GOVERNANCE
21 IN THIS CASE THAT HAS PROVEN TO WORK, A LEADERSHIP THAT WORKS,
22 THAT SUPPORTS THE COMMUNITY. AS WE ALL KNOW, THE 1965 VOTING
23 RIGHTS ACT CREATED A PATHWAY FOR CITIZENS REGARDLESS OF THEIR
24 ETHNIC BACKGROUNDS TO HAVE A VOICE IN LOCAL AND STATE
25 GOVERNMENT. THE ACT ADDRESSES THE IMPORTANCE OF FAIRNESS,



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1 DIVERSITY AND A REPRESENTATIVE VOICE IN GOVERNMENT. THIS IS
2 NOT THE CASE WITH REGARDS TO THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
3 REDISTRICTING ISSUE. WE HAVE DIVERSITY AMONG OUR ELECT
4 OFFICIALS AND I'M HOPING TODAY THAT EVEN THE OFFICIALS BEFORE
5 ME HAVE THAT SAME DIVERSITY. THANK YOU.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. MICHAEL BACLACHUCK,
8 MICHAEL. IVORY BROWN, IVORY BROWN. SAMANTHA JOHNSON. SAMANTHA
9 JOHNSON. TOCINA LOPEZ. MICHELLE ARCE. I BELIEVE SHE ALREADY
10 SPOKE. JESSE AMAYA. JESSE AMAYA. YES.

11

12 **ARTURO JIMENEZ:** MY NAME IS ARTURO JIMENEZ. I'M THE PRESIDENT
13 OF LAGUNA TECH AND ALSO A PLANNING COMMISSIONER FOR THE CITY
14 OF POMONA. I'M HERE IN MY CAPACITY AS A MEMBER OF POMONA
15 HABLA, POMONA SPEAKS, A COALITION OF CONSTITUENCY-BASED
16 ORGANIZATIONS AND WE'RE HERE IN SUPPORT OF T-1 AND S-2 AND ASK
17 YOU TO REJECT A-3. I ALSO WANT TO REGISTER MY DISAPPOINTMENT
18 IN LISTENING. IN TODAY'S HEARING, I'VE BEEN HERE FOR HOURS AND
19 I'VE BEEN LISTENING TO THE A-3 PEOPLE ARE GETTING MORE TIME
20 THAN THE T-1 AND S-2 PEOPLE. SO I WANTED TO REGISTER MY
21 DISAPPOINTMENT THAT THE CHAIR IS ALLOWING THAT TO HAPPEN.
22 MOVING ON, I'VE LISTENED FOR A LONG TIME AND I'VE LISTENED TO
23 A LOT OF -- OF HATE THAT FOSTER FEAR OF LATINO LEADERSHIP.
24 I'VE LISTENED TO A-3 SUPPORTERS USE THREAT APPALLING WORDS
25 SUCH AS -- OR RACE, UNCERTAINTIES, WRONG, LATINO LEADERSHIP



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1 WOULD BE RADICAL, LATINO LEADERSHIP WOULD BE BAD FOR THE
2 ENVIRONMENT. THE ENVIRONMENT WOULD SUFFER.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SIR. THANK YOU.
5 YES, MA'AM? YOU'RE NEXT. OKAY. ONE OF THE TWO. DOESN'T MATTER.

6

7 **ALFONSO VILLANUEVA:** MY NAME IS ALFONSO VILLANUEVA AND I'M
8 CHAIRPERSON OF THE GABRIELINO -- HISTORIC PRESERVATION
9 COMMITTEE IN POMONA VALLEY. I HONOR BOTH -- ALL OF YOU
10 SUPERVISORS TODAY. LIKE TO ADMONISH ALL THE PEOPLE THAT SEEM
11 TO INDICATE THAT MOTHER EARTH BELONGS TO HUMANS. NO. WE BELONG
12 TO MOTHER EARTH. IT'S NOT ABOUT THE LOVE OF POWER BUT IT'S
13 ABOUT THE POWER OF LOVE AND SO WE SUPPORT S-1, S-2 AND T-1 AND
14 OPPOSE A-3 AS A NATIVE AMERICAN COMMUNITY IN COLLABORATION AND
15 SUPPORT OF OUR LATINO BROTHERS BECAUSE IT'S ALL ABOUT WORKING
16 TOWARDS THE COMMON GOOD. AND IF YOU VOTE FOR A-3, YOU WILL BE
17 DENYING THE DIGNITY OF A PEOPLE, FIRST NATIONS PEOPLE AND YOU
18 WILL ALSO BE VIOLATING FEDERAL LAW, SO WE HOPE THAT YOU WORK
19 FOR THE COMMON GOOD. THANK YOU.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU SIR. LET ME ALSO CALL UP
22 ESTHER VALDEZ, ESTHER? JAMES ROJAS. JAMES ROJAS. VICTORIA
23 NORWOOD. LYNN REMBERT. CLAUDIA REYES. CLAUDIA REYES. JOEL
24 RUCKER. I THINK HE SPOKE. JOE RUCKER. ADRIENNE SHEFF. ADRIENNE
25 SHEFF? MARK VANESET? PABLO AGUILAR? JOANN AREBALO? JESSIG



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1 AVALOS. JOHN BELLAH? JOHN BELLAH? ROCIO CALEL. CALEL? ROCIO?
2 CATHY CHOI? CATHY CHOI? RITA GARCIA? I THINK SHE ALREADY
3 SPOKE. PAULA GERSHOY. PAULA GERSHOY. HELENE GETTY. AILEEN
4 GETTY? AILEEN GETTY? JOANNA GUNST. JOANNA GUNST. OKAY. YES,
5 MA'AM.

6

7 **JOSEFINA LOPEZ:** I'M THE FOUNDER OF -- CULTURAL CENTER IN BOYLE
8 HEIGHTS. AND I AM HERE IN SUPPORT OF GLORIA MOLINA AND S-2 AND
9 T-1. I URGE YOU TO HAVE THE COURAGE TO DO WHAT YOU KNOW IN
10 YOUR HEART IS RIGHT. FOLLOW THE LAW. MAKE HISTORY AND WHO
11 KNOWS, YOU MIGHT EVEN MAKE HER STORY BY GETTING ANOTHER WOMAN
12 ON THIS BOARD. DO THE RIGHT THING. I'M HERE TO REMIND YOU THAT
13 LATINOS ARE AMERICANS TOO AND WE ARE HERE AS AMERICANS
14 DEMANDING OUR RIGHT TO BE REPRESENTED. OUR LIVES, OUR NUMBERS,
15 OUR DREAMS MATTER. -- AND YES, YOU CAN DO, MAKE HISTORY NOW.
16 THANK YOU.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YES, SIR. THANK YOU.

19

20 **IVORY BROWN:** MY NAME IS IVORY BROWN, IVORY BROWN MEMORIAL
21 TEMPLE, CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST, AND THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF
22 PROJECT CARING AND SHARING, BOTH LOCATED IN THE CITY OF
23 POMONA. WE OPERATE VARIOUS PROGRAMS THAT OFTENTIMES SERVICES
24 CHILDREN FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES
25 AS WELL AS PROBATIONS. I AM IN SUPPORT OF T-1 AND S-2 MAPS.



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1 REDISTRICTING FORCES US TO FACE REALITY. THE REALITY WE FACE
2 IS THAT THE POPULATION OF L.A. COUNTY HAS CHANGED SINCE THE
3 TIME THAT THE DISTRICT LINES WERE DRAWN ALMOST 20 YEARS AGO.
4 IN ORDER TO SERVE THE ENTIRE POPULATION, WE MUST HAVE
5 REPRESENTATION FOR THE ENTIRE POPULATION. WE CAN'T EXPECT TO
6 SOLVE THE PROBLEMS FACING OUR YOUTH TODAY WITH SOLUTIONS FROM
7 20 YEARS AGO. THIS ISSUE I SEE NOT AS A BROWN ISSUE, NOT AS A
8 BLACK ISSUE, NOT AS A WHITE ISSUE BUT AS A FAIRNESS ISSUE.
9 THANK YOU.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP MARCO
12 MARTINEZ, VICTOR CASTRO TREJON, MARIA FLORES. YES, MA'AM.

13

14 **CATHY CHOI:** THANK YOU ALL THE HONORABLE RESPECTABLE BOARD OF
15 DIRECTORS. THANK YOU FOR SERVING LOS ANGELES COUNTY. MY NAME
16 IS CATHY CHOI. I'M THE PRESIDENT OF A.A.R.P. CHINATOWN
17 CHAPTER. I'M ALSO THE STEERING COMMITTEE OF CALIFORNIA SENIOR
18 LEADERS ALLIANCE U.C. BERKELEY'S OFFICE OF PUBLIC
19 ADMINISTRATION. FIRST OF ALL, I WOULD LIKE TO BRING GOOD
20 BLESSINGS FROM MY FATHER WHO IS 98 YEARS OLD, ALSO A RESIDENT
21 OF L.A. COUNTY AND WHO WOULD LIKE EVERYONE HERE TO ENJOY THE
22 LONG AND HAPPY LIFE LIKE HIM IN L.A. COUNTY. IN THE PAST
23 DECADES, OUR DIVERSE COMMUNITIES, CAUCASIANS, HISPANICS,
24 A.P.I.S AND AFRICAN-AMERICANS, COMMITTEES HAVE BEEN SHARING
25 MANY COMMON INTERESTS TOGETHER HARMONIOUSLY. SO WE SHOULD



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1 CONTINUE TO GO FORWARD HAND IN HAND TO ENJOY THE BEST QUALITY
2 OF OUR LIVES IN THIS DECADE. ON BEHALF OF A.P.I. COMMUNITIES,
3 AND A.A.R.P. CHINATOWN, I SUPPORT A-3 AND I WOULD LIKE TO LET
4 HONORABLES RESPECTABLES MOLINA KNOW THAT I LIKE HER -- STYLE.
5 THANK YOU.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SANDRA RAMOS. SANDRA RAMOS? YES.

8

9 **PAULA GERSHOY:** MY NAME IS PAULA GERSHOY. THANK YOU FOR
10 ALLOWING ME TO SPEAK TODAY. AS A RESIDENT AND HOMEOWNER IN
11 MALIBU FOR THE PAST 29 YEARS, I'M HERE TO OPPOSE T-1 AND S-2
12 AS TOO DISRUPTIVE TO THE COUNTY. I'M HERE TO SUPPORT A-3. THE
13 UNIQUE ENVIRONMENTAL AND FIRE SAFETY CONCERNS WITHIN THE SANTA
14 MONICA MOUNTAIN RANGE LENDS ITSELF TO THE CURRENT DISTRICT
15 LINES OF A-3 AS AMENDED. THANK YOU.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ARTURO TORRES. ARTURO TORRES? DAN
18 HANRAHAN? DAN? MARGARET HEALY? MARGARET HEALY? ANITA KAPLAN?
19 ANITA KAPLAN? OKAY. YES, SIR? YES, MA'AM? WHOEVER. OKAY.

20

21 **MARCO MARTINEZ:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE
22 BOARD. MY NAME IS MARCO MARTINEZ. I AM THE DIRECTOR OF
23 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FROM SOUTH BAY CENTER FOR COMMUNITY
24 DEVELOPMENT AND I'M A HOMEOWNER IN WINDSOR HILLS VIEW PARK
25 AREA. I DO WANT TO ADD ONE THING FOR OUR LATINO BRETHERN HERE



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1 [SPANISH] SO I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT FOR ALL OF US TO KNOW THAT
2 RACISM OR OPPRESSION OF ANY KIND IS NOT RIGHT AND THEREFORE I
3 HAPPEN TO THINK THAT I SUPPORT THE A-3 AMENDED AND HERE ARE MY
4 VIEWS ON IT. INDIVIDUALS HERE HAVE BEEN TALKING ABOUT M.L.K.
5 AND THEY'VE BEEN BRINGING THAT NAME UP BUT THE THING IS THAT
6 M.L.K. WAS IN SUPPORT OF IMMIGRATION AND A SOCIETY BUILT ON
7 THE DIVERSIFICATION OF VALUES. SO WHAT WE'RE SEEING BY T-1, S-
8 2, JUST GIVE US ONE OF OUR COLOR OR OUR BACKGROUND AND WE'RE
9 NOT GOING TO HOLD THEM ACCOUNTABLE, WE'RE GOING TO SAY, OH,
10 THAT IS FINE, THAT IS ALL WE NEED. AND I THINK THAT PEOPLE
11 SHOULD GET ORGANIZED AND THEY DESERVE OR THEY SHOULD EXPECT
12 MORE THAN THAT. THANK YOU.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SIR. LET ME ALSO ASK -- [
15 APPLAUSE] PLEASE, PLEASE. OKAY. YES, YES.

16

17 **VICTOR CASTREJON:** MY NAME IS VICTOR CASTREJON. I'M COMING FROM
18 THE CITY OF WILMINGTON AND I'M PART OF A PROGRAM, URBAN
19 TEACHER FELLOWSHIP, AND I WANT TO SAY I SUPPORT A-3. KNABE IS
20 DOING A GREAT JOB AS OUR DISTRICT SUPERVISOR. I THINK RACE IS
21 JUST A COLOR AND WHAT MATTERS IS WHO YOU ARE AND NOT THE COLOR
22 YOU ARE. THANKS TO KNABE FOR FUNDING MY PROGRAM AND I'M OFF
23 THE STREETS AND I'M NOT DOING -- I'M DOING SOMETHING THAT IS
24 BETTERING MY LIFE AND I JUST WANT TO SAY THAT I THINK WE'RE



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1 PUTTING REDISTRICTING, LATINO DISTRICT IS NOT A GOOD IDEA AND
2 SUPPORT A-3.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP SERGIO
5 VASQUEZ, SR. SERGIO VASQUEZ, SR. YES, MA'AM.

6

7 **LINDA RAMOS:** HELLO. MY NAME IS LINDA RAMOS AND I AM HERE
8 REPRESENTING THE LATINO COMMUNITY IN THE SOUTH BAY AREA. DON
9 KNABE HAS BEEN NOTHING BUT A GREAT SUPPORTER OF THE WORK I DO
10 WHICH IS WORK IN SUPPORT, DIVERSE POPULATION OF YOUTH ON A
11 DAILY BASIS, PRIMARILY LATINO. HE HAS DONE NOTHING BUT
12 PROVIDED MY COMMUNITY WITH OPTIONS AND OPPORTUNITIES WHICH IS
13 SOMETHING I HIGHLY VALUE. KEEPING THAT DIVERSITY INTACT IN OUR
14 COMMUNITY IS A MUST. I GREW UP IN A VERY DIVERSE COMMUNITY AND
15 POPULATION AND I WOULD LIKE TO KEEP IT THAT WAY AND FOR THAT
16 REASON I AM A HUGE, HUGE SUPPORTER OF THE A-3 MAP. THANK YOU.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. IS DIANE PORCHIA? BLANCA
19 FLORES? BLANCA FLORES? DAVID FLORES? DAVID FLORES? ADINE
20 FOREMEN? CATHERINE GRASCO? CATHERINE GRASCO? AMANDA GUZMAN
21 PEREZ? JULIA JUAREZ? MARCY CASS? EMMA MEZZA. EMMA? JONATHAN
22 NIH. JONATHAN? MARIA PARITAS. OKAY. YES?

23

24 **SERGIO VASQUEZ, DR.:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS SERGIO
25 VASQUEZ, SR. I'VE BEEN A RESIDENT OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY SINCE



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1 1962 AND A STEADY EMPLOYEE FOR OVER 30 YEARS WITH THE
2 COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY. I'M HERE TO EXPRESS MY
3 OPPOSITION OF A-3 AND MY FULL SUPPORT OF T-1 AND S-2. I ASK
4 THAT YOU FOLLOW THE NUMBERS AND VOTE YOUR CONSCIENCE AND THAT
5 YOU VOTE AFFIRMATIVELY. THANK YOU.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SIR. ARNOLD SACHS. ARNOLD
8 SACHS. VIRGINIA SANTOS? VIRGINIA SANTOS? VANESSA RODRIGUEZ.
9 HUGO GARCIA. JOHN SHAFFEY. VICTOR DURAN? VICTOR DURAN? OKAY.
10 YES?

11

12 **DAN HANRAHAN:** HONORABLE SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS DAN HANRAHAN,
13 I'M A LONG-TIME TOPANGA RESIDENT AND COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER. I
14 OPPOSE T-1, S-2. TOPANGA ASSOCIATION, WITH ITS SURROUNDING
15 COMMUNITIES, VALLEYS AND BEACHES, IS A HARMONIOUS SYMBIOTIC
16 RELATIONSHIP WHOSE SUPPORTIVE, COLLABORATIVE AND UNITED EFFORT
17 HAS FOR MANY YEARS ENSURED THE SAFETY, SOCIAL AND ECONOMICAL
18 PROGRAMS WE COMMONLY SHARE. KEEPING US UNITED WITH OUR
19 NEIGHBORHOODS, AND CITIES WILL CONTINUE TO GIVE US THE ABILITY
20 TO SHARE OUR ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS, COMMUNITY CONSCIOUSNESS
21 AND EDUCATIONAL COMMITMENTS. MAPS T-1 AND S-2 PULL THOSE
22 COMMUNITIES APART AND GEOGRAPHICALLY MISALIGN AREAS OF COMMON
23 INTERESTS, PUTTING 3-1/2 MILLION PEOPLE INTO DISTRICTS WHERE
24 THEY DID NOT VOTE FOR THEIR SUPERVISORS. THE 1991 AND 2000



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1 DISTRICTS PLAN HAVE PROVEN TO BE VERY SUCCESSFUL. DON'T PUT
2 THAT SUCCESS IN JEOPARDY BY SUPPORTING T-1. VOTE FOR A-3.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SIR. YES, SIR.

5

6 **ART TORRES:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS ART TORRES AND I'M FROM
7 SAN PEDRO. I'M A LATINO AND I DON'T BELIEVE THAT WE NEED
8 REDISTRICTING TO BE HEARD AS A LATINO. THAT IS WHY I SUPPORT
9 PLAN A-3. I ATTENDED ENERGY PATHWAY PROGRAM AND SOUTH WAY
10 CENTER FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT THAT SUPERVISOR DON KNABE
11 SUPPORTS AND HELPS FUND. DON KNABE HAS PARTNERED WITH DIVERSE
12 GROUPS OF PEOPLE TO IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF LIFE IN OUR
13 NEIGHBORHOOD AND THIS PROGRAM HAS GIVEN ME A SECOND CHANCE TO
14 BECOME SOMEONE AND GET AHEAD IN LIFE. IT IS A PROGRAM THAT HAS
15 TAUGHT ME NEW SKILLS TO GET NEW CAREER AND A NEW START IN LIFE
16 DUE TO THE ECONOMIC DOWNFALL. WITHOUT DON KNABE, THIS PROGRAM
17 WOULD NOT BE POSSIBLE. BY REDISTRICTING, PROGRAMS LIKE THIS,
18 THEY WOULD BE LOST. THAT IS WHY I BELIEVE THAT IT IS WRONG TO
19 SPLIT COMMUNITIES WHICH HAVE COLLABORATED WITH EACH OTHER FOR
20 OVER 20 YEARS ON ISSUES AND PROGRAMS THAT ARE IMPORTANT TO ALL
21 OF US. THANK YOU.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP DANETTE
24 ERICKSON, DANETTE ERICKSON, CRESCENTA VALLEY TOWN COUNCIL.



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1 PATRICIA FERMAN. PATRICIA FERMAN? ARTURO GARCIA? ARTURO
2 GARCIA? REUBEN GALVAN? REUBEN GALVAN? OKAY. YES?

3

4 **AMANDA GUZMAN-PEREZ:** YES. GOOD AFTERNOON. AMANDA GUZMAN-PEREZ.
5 I SERVE AS THE DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY SERVICES FOR BIENVENIDOS
6 CHILDREN'S CENTER IN EAST L.A. THIS IS AN ORGANIZATION THAT
7 PROVIDES SERVICES TO THOUSANDS OF YOUR CONSTITUENTS THROUGHOUT
8 L.A. COUNTY. AND WE'RE HERE IN SUPPORT OF T-1, SUPPORTING
9 SUPERVISOR MOLINA, GLORIA MOLINA. SHE HAS DONE AN EXCELLENT
10 JOB NOT ONLY AS A SUPERVISOR BUT AS A LATINA AND WE NEED MORE
11 REPRESENTATION OF LATINOS ON THIS BOARD WITH ALL DUE RESPECT
12 TO EVERYBODY ELSE. BUT AS TIME HAS CHANGED WE NEED CHANGE IN
13 THIS COUNTY. THANK YOU.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, MA'AM. YES?

16

17 **VIRGINIA SANTOS:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS VIRGINIA SANTOS.
18 I'M AN ORAL HEALTH EDUCATOR. I LIVE IN DISTRICT FOUR BUT I
19 HAVE WORKED AND TAUGHT FOR MORE THAN 40 YEARS IN DISTRICT ONE.
20 AND I WANT YOU TO KNOW, SUPERVISOR MOLINA, THAT YOU HAVE BEEN
21 SUCH A ROLE MODEL FOR MY STUDENTS AND WE NEED MORE
22 REPRESENTATION AND I'M IN FAVOR OF T-1. THANK YOU.

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP AMINTA
25 GUILLON, AMINTA. BERNARDO GONZALEZ. BERNARDO GONZALEZ. YES.



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2 **VANESSA RODRIGUEZ:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS VANESSA
3 RODRIGUEZ. AND I'M THE ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR WITH ALLIANCE FOR A
4 BETTER COMMUNITY. AND I'M HERE TO STRONGLY URGE ALL MEMBERS OF
5 THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO DO WHAT'S RIGHT FOR ITS
6 CITIZENS AND OPPOSE THE A-3 PLAN AND ADOPT T-1 OR S-2 AS
7 MANDATED BY THE FEDERAL VOTING RIGHTS ACT. FOR OVER 10 YEARS,
8 A.B.C. HAS FOUGHT FOR THE RIGHTS OF LATINOS IN HEALTH
9 EDUCATION AND CIVIC ENGAGEMENT. DURING THAT SAME TIME, WE HAVE
10 WITNESSED LATINO POPULATION GROW TO ALMOST HALF THE RESIDENTS
11 OF L.A. COUNTY, YET WE STILL DO NOT HAVE EQUAL REPRESENTATION
12 ON THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. IT IS REPREHENSIBLE THAT
13 POLITICAL INTERESTS HAVE TRUMPED WHAT IS JUST AND FAIR. THE
14 ALLIANCE FOR A BETTER COMMUNITY WOULD LIKE TO RESPECTFULLY
15 REMIND OUR HONORABLE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS THAT THEY WERE
16 ELECTED TO REPRESENT THE INTERESTS AND NEEDS OF RESIDENTS OF
17 LOS ANGELES COUNTY. BY ADOPTING A-3, YOU'LL BE MAINTAINING THE
18 STATUS QUO AND CONTINUE TO DENY HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF
19 RESIDENTS WITH JUST AND FAIR REPRESENTATION. IT WOULD NOT ONLY
20 WEAKEN OUR DEMOCRATIC PROCESS BUT YOU'D BE FAILING AT THE JOBS
21 YOU WERE ELECTED TO DO. AS A DEDICATED ADVOCATE, WE WOULD LIKE
22 TO AGAIN ASK FOR YOU ALL TO DO WHAT'S RIGHT AND OPPOSE THE A-3
23 PLAN. THANK YOU.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME CALL UP FIRST
2 SETHERY LEE, SETHERY LEE AND PAULA GONZALEZ. PAULA GONZALEZ.
3 EDGAR GRIFFIN. EDGAR GRIFFIN. RICHARD HERNANDEZ. RICHARD
4 HERNANDEZ. MARTHA JIMENEZ. MARTHA JIMENEZ. DAVID KOO. DAVID
5 KOO. FRED LANE. FRED LANE.

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7 **DINETTE ERICKSON:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MAYOR AND BOARD OF
8 SUPERVISORS. I AM DANETTE ERICKSON, ELECTED TO THE CRESCENTA
9 VALLEY TOWN COUNCIL. ON BEHALF OF THE 19,000 RESIDENTS OF THE
10 UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES OF LA CRESCENTA AND MONTROSE, THE
11 CRESCENTA VALLEY TOWN COUNCIL REQUESTS THAT THESE COMMUNITIES
12 REMAIN IN THE FIFTH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT. WE ALSO SUPPORT
13 THE REDISTRICTING PLAN A-3. AS AN UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITY,
14 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IS OUR LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND WE HAVE
15 ENJOYED WORKING WITH THE SAME COUNTY SUPERVISOR FOR OVER 22
16 YEARS. WE PRESENT THREE POINTS. ONE, PLAN A-3 REASSIGNS
17 277,000 PEOPLE, WHILE PLANS T-1 AND S-2 EACH REASSIGN OVER
18 THREE MILLION PEOPLE. POINT 2, PLAN A-3 DOES NOT FURTHER SPLIT
19 ANY COMMUNITIES WHILE THE OTHER PLANS NEWLY SPLIT 18 OR 19
20 OTHER COMMUNITIES. AND LASTLY, PLAN A-3 MOVES 12 MAJOR
21 FACILITIES WHILE THE OTHER PLANS EACH MOVE MORE THAN 100. AS
22 EVIDENCED DURING THE STATION FIRE AND THROUGHOUT THE FOLLOWING
23 TWO YEARS --

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, DANETTE. THANK YOU. LET ME
2 ALSO CALL UP MARIA LOPEZ. MARIA LOPEZ. ENRIQUE MEDINA. ENRIQUE
3 MEDINA. ROCIO MENDOZA DNS. MARIA MERCADO. EDGAR MONREY. SANTOS
4 MORALES. SANTOS MORALES. MIGUEL MORALES. MIGUEL MORALES. OKAY.
5 YES.

6

7 **REUBEN GALVAN:** HI. GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS REUBEN GALVAN.
8 I'M A RESIDENT OF BALDWIN PARK. I'M STUDENT FROM THE SAN
9 GABRIEL VALLEY CONSERVATION CORPS IN EL MONTE. IT'S A
10 NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION THAT HELPS TROUBLED YOUTH. I SUPPORT T-
11 1 AND S-2 BECAUSE OUR COMMUNITY NEEDS MORE SUPPORT AND NEEDS
12 THE COMMUNITY TO HEAR US AND HELP US OUT. T-1 AND S-2 MAPS ARE
13 VERY STRONG AND OUR GROUPS ARE TREATED STRONGLY. I'M HERE TO
14 URGE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO ADOPT THE T-1 AND S-2 MAPS.
15 EITHER MAP WOULD CREATE THE TWO LATINO OPPORTUNITY DISTRICTS
16 WHICH REPRESENT OUR REALITY. SOME CRITICS CLAIM THAT THOSE
17 MAPS PUT RACIAL GROUPS AGAINST EACH OTHER. I DISAGREE BECAUSE
18 THEY ARE ALLOWED ALL VOICES THAT HAVE HISTORICALLY BEEN
19 IGNORED TO SPEAK THEIR MIND. I WANT T-1 AND S-2 TO PASS SO
20 THAT OUR NONPROFIT SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY CAN CONTINUE TO BE
21 SUPPORTED AND MY DREAMS FOR A BETTER LIFE TO COME TRUE. THANK
22 YOU.

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24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. IS OSDELI OROZCO? OSDELI
25 OROZCO? WALTER OROZCO? WALTER OROZCO? MARIA LINA ORTIZ?



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1 CAROLINA QUIROZ? JOHN LADNER? JOHN LADNER? NICKIE MINER?
2 NICKIE MINER? ROLENE NEVEJA. IRMA RESENDEZ. IRMA RESENDEZ
3 GEORGE ABRAHAMS? GEORGE ABRAHAMS? OKAY. YES. WHO IS NEXT?
4 OKAY. YES, MA'AM. OKAY. LADIES FIRST.

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6 **MARTHA JIMENEZ:** YES. MY NAME IS MARTHA JIMENEZ. I'M A VERY
7 PROUD CONSTITUENT OF SUPERVISOR GLORIA MOLINA IN THE CITY
8 TERRACE AREA. HONORABLE BOARD MEMBERS, TODAY IS A VERY
9 IMPORTANT DAY WHERE YOU MUST MAKE A DECISION ON REDISTRICTING
10 ALIGNED WITH THE VOTING RIGHTS ACTS, THE EQUAL PROTECTION
11 CLAUSE UNDER THE U.S. CONSTITUTION AND THE CALIFORNIA
12 CONSTITUTION. I STRONGLY OPPOSE, ALONG WITH MY COMMUNITY MAP
13 A-3 BECAUSE WE ARE LIVING UNDER A NEW CENTURY, A NEW REALITY
14 AND THE NEW FEDERAL U.S. CENSUS DATA REVEALS THE LATINOS HAVE
15 DEMOGRAPHICALLY GROWN IN THE LAST 10 YEARS AT THE L.A. COUNTY.
16 THEREFORE, SUCH FIGURES DEMAND ACCOUNTABILITY AND THE EMINENT
17 CREATION OF A SECOND SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT, SO MORE
18 CONSTITUENTS CAN CHOOSE THEIR OWN ELECTED OFFICIALS. MAP A-3
19 WOULD ARBITRARILY EXCLUDE THE POLITICAL COMMUNITY FROM THE
20 POLITICAL PROCESS.

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22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, MA'AM. THANK YOU. YES, SIR.

23

24 **FRED LANE:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS FRED LANE, I'M A SECOND
25 GENERATION BUSINESS OWNER UNDER SUPERVISOR MOLINA. I CAN FIRST



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1 HAND ATTEST TO SOME OF THE WORK THAT MS. MOLINA HAS DONE IN
2 OUR COMMUNITY WITH EAST L.A. WORKS, A GREAT PROSPECT. IT'S
3 JUST A GREAT I GUESS ASSET TO THE COMMUNITY. SECOND OF ALL,
4 I'VE HEARD A LOT TODAY ABOUT DIFFERENT DEBATES ABOUT THE
5 MOUNTAINS, SUCH AND SUCH. BUT THE FACT IS THAT EVERYBODY HERE
6 LOVES THE COMMUNITY OF LOS ANGELES, AND WE'RE ALL HERE FOR ONE
7 PURPOSE TO MAKE THIS PLACE BETTER. MS. MOLINA HAS DONE THAT
8 JOB IN EAST L.A. THE LATINO HERITAGE AND PRIDE THAT NEEDS TO
9 BE REPRESENTED THROUGHOUT THIS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND
10 THROUGHOUT L.A. COUNTY IS A NECESSITY. T-1 IS THE WAY TO GO.
11 WE MUST REALIZE THAT AS IT STANDS TODAY, LATINO NUMBERS ARE
12 THERE AND WE LOVE THIS COMMUNITY AS MUCH AS ANYBODY ELSE AND
13 ALL OF US WORK TOGETHER TO MAKE THIS PLACE A GREATER LOS
14 ANGELES. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU SIR. ALSO DIANE PORCHIA.

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18 **OSDELI OROZCO:** GOOD EVENING, EVERYBODY.

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20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** COULD I HAVE A TRANSLATOR, PLEASE?
21 TRANSLATOR?

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23 **OSDELI OROZCO:** (SPANISH)

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1 **INTERPRETER:** GOOD AFTERNOON, EVERYONE. MY NAME IS OSDELI
2 OROZCO. I'M A REPRESENTATIVE OF SAN PEDRO FROM THE -- OF 6TH
3 AND WESTLAKE. AND FROM MY COMMUNITY FROM GUATEMALA FROM THE
4 SAME AREA. I'M HERE TO REPRESENT AND TO SUPPORT, T-1, S-T AND
5 I'M SAYING "NO" TO A-3. I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO SAY IN HONOR OF
6 ALL THE PEOPLE THAT I'M REPRESENTING, THANK YOU, GLORIA
7 MOLINA, FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP, FOR ALL THE WORK THAT YOU HAVE
8 DONE FOR THE LATINO COMMUNITY AND FOR ALL THE GENERAL LABOR.
9 AND TO TELL YOU THAT WE'RE WITH YOU TO WORK IN THINKING, IN
10 THINKING OF A BETTER FUTURE. ASKING OTHER PEOPLE WITH POWER
11 THIS AFTERNOON THAT WHATEVER YOU DECIDE TO DO WILL BE FOR A
12 BETTER FUTURE. WE BELIEVE IN THE FREEDOM OF SPEECH IN ONE
13 DREAM ACT TO IMPROVE THE LIFE, AND THE QUALITY OF LIFE OF OUR
14 KIDS WHO ARE THE FUTURE OF OUR NATION. THANK YOU.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YES, MA'AM.

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18 **NICKIE MINER:** MY NAME IS NICKIE MINER, A CITIZEN OF LOS
19 ANGELES. I DON'T HEAR A SPIRIT OF COOPERATION, I HEAR
20 IMPASSIONED SPEECHES THAT IN ORDER TO ACHIEVE CERTAIN GOALS IT
21 IS ON THE BACKS OF COMMUNITIES THAT ALSO HAVE THEIR RIGHTS.
22 THE PEOPLE WHO ARE IN, FOR INSTANCE, MY DISTRICT, DISTRICT 3,
23 ARE GOING TO BE DESTROYED. THE COMMUNITIES WILL NEVER BE THE
24 SAME. THAT WILL BE THE HISTORY, THAT WILL BE THE LEGACY. I
25 DON'T THINK IT'S RIGHT FOR CERTAIN PEOPLE TO ACHIEVE THEIR



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1 WANTS ON THE BACKS OF OTHER PEOPLE WHOSE RIGHTS WILL BE
2 DESTROYED. CLEARLY, A-3 COMPLIES WITH THE VOTERS RIGHT ACT.
3 YET I HEAR VEILED THREATS AGAINST IT IF THAT WERE TO WIN OUT.
4 I HEAR PRESSURE, I HEAR ALL KINDS OF THINGS THAT REALLY DON'T
5 SIT RIGHT WITH THE WAY OUR COUNTRY, OUR COUNTY, OUR GOVERNMENT
6 SHOULD BE RUN. THIS IS NOT A PRESSURE SITUATION FOR ONE
7 COMMUNITY TO TAKE OVER ANOTHER COMMUNITY. THIS IS NOT A COUP,
8 IT'S NOT A TAKEOVER, IT SHOULD BE A COOPERATIVE SITUATION
9 WHERE EVERYBODY CAN GET WHAT THEY NEED AND NOBODY DENIES
10 ANYBODY THEIR RIGHTS BUT CERTAINLY IT SEEMS THAT THE --

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12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I'M SORRY. LET ME
13 ALSO CALL UP JILL BAUMAN. BILL BUERGE. SHAWNA CALLAHAN. SHAWNA
14 CALLAHAN. MANUEL CARILLO. MARY CARILLO. BIANCA CASTELLANOS,
15 JOSE CERVANTES. JOSE CERVANTES. JOSE CORDOVA. DARYL CUMMINGS.
16 LARRY CUSHMAN? LARRY CUSHMAN? BERTHA FAUSTINOS? ERMA RESENDEZ,
17 ERIC PREVEN AND TRINIDAD GOMEZ, TRINIDAD GOMEZ. YES, SIR.

18

19 **GEORGE ABRAHAMS:** HI I'M GEORGE ABRAHAMS, I WILL SPEAK FOR THE
20 OAKS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, WHICH REPRESENTS 800 HOMES IN THE
21 HOLLYWOOD HILLS JUST SOUTH OF GRIFFITH PARK AND THE OAKS
22 SUPPORTS A-3 AMENDED. PLANS S-2 OR T-1 WOULD SUDDENLY MOVE THE
23 OAKS INTO A DIFFERENT DISTRICT UNDER THE LEADERSHIP OF A
24 SUPERVISOR WHOM WE NEVER ELECTED. THEY WOULD SPLIT US OFF FROM
25 THE WESTERN COMMUNITIES AND THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS RANGE



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1 AND DILUTE OUR ABILITY TO COORDINATE AND CREATE SOLUTIONS FOR
2 IMPORTANT COMMON CONCERNS, INCLUDING DISASTER PREPAREDNESS,
3 RECOVERY AND RESPONSE, PROTECTION OF THE HEALTH OF THE
4 WATERSHED, PROTECTION OF TRANSPORTATION, LINKS BETWEEN OUR
5 NEIGHBORHOOD AND HOLLYWOOD AND THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY,
6 PROTECTION OF GRIFFITH PARK, PRESERVATION OF OPEN SPACE AND
7 DEVELOPMENT OF TRAIL AND WILDLIFE CORRIDORS, THE ABILITY TO
8 EFFECTIVELY ADDRESS COMMON CONCERNS THAT HAVE BEEN MANAGED FOR
9 DECADES THROUGH A NATURAL GEOGRAPHIC COALITION AMONG THE SANTA
10 MONICA MOUNTAINS RANGE AND OUR ABILITY TO SPEAK WITH A STRONG
11 VOICE --

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13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SIR. THANK YOU.

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15 **IRMA RESENDEZ:** MY NAME IS IRMA RESENDEZ, I'M THE FOUNDER AND
16 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR FOR FAMILIA UNIDA, LIVING WITH MULTIPLE
17 SCLEROSIS. WE'RE RECOGNIZED IN THE UNITED STATES AS THE FIRST
18 M.S. ORGANIZATION TO OUTREACH TO THE LATINO COMMUNITY. AND
19 WHAT'S HAPPENING TODAY REMINDS ME OF THAT, PRIOR TO THAT,
20 PRIOR TO FAMILIA UNIDA, PEOPLE THAT DID NOT SPEAK ENGLISH OR
21 LATINO BACKGROUND WERE NOT GETTING CRITICAL SERVICES AND
22 SUPPORT, AND WHAT I'M SAYING IS WE NEED TO KEEP THE VOTERS --
23 EXCUSE ME, THE -- OUR ACT TO BE ABLE TO HAVE OUR VOICES HEARD.
24 OKAY? THE VOTERS ACT. ADDITIONALLY, WHAT I SEE HAPPENING IS
25 THAT PRIOR TO OUR SUPERVISOR MOLINA BEING A PART OF THIS



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1 BOARD, THAT WAS A GREAT EXAMPLE OF HOW MANY PROGRAMS WERE NOT
2 IMPLEMENTED, ESPECIALLY IN EAST LOS ANGELES, THE PLACE WHERE
3 WE SERVE, THAT WAS A DUMPING GROUND. WE DON'T WANT THIS TO BE
4 A DUMPING GROUND. DO NOT FEAR US. INCLUDE US. IT IS IMPORTANT
5 THAT WE SHOW AND WE EMBRACE THE DIVERSITY BY ALLOWING US TO
6 CONTINUE TO GROW AND EVOLVE. OUR PROGRAM IS ANOTHER EXAMPLE OF
7 HOW IT'S IMPORTANT TO SHOW, CONNECT WITH THE FAMILIES AND WE
8 NEED PEOPLE THAT WE CAN ENTRUST AND THAT WILL HELP TO BE NOT
9 JUST HEAR US BUT TO HELP US IMPLEMENT WHAT WE'RE TRYING TO
10 ACCOMPLISH. WE NEED THAT.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP GRACE
13 GONZALEZ. GRACE GONZALEZ. YES, MA'AM.

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15 **JOSIE CERVANTES:** HI. MY NAME IS JOSIE CERVANTES. I RESIDE IN
16 DISTRICT 1 OF L.A. COUNTY. I AM HERE IN SUPPORT OF T-1 AND S-2
17 AND OPPOSING A-3 AMENDED. AND THE REASON WHY IS BECAUSE I HAVE
18 A FEW QUESTIONS FOR YOU. WHY ARE YOU SO AFRAID THAT ME AND
19 THOUSANDS OF -- HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS MORE LIKE ME WILL BE
20 ABLE TO VOTE? I BELIEVE THAT THIS BOARD MAY NOT TRUST, IF YOU
21 VOTE FOR A-3, YOU MAY NOT TRUST THAT PEOPLE LIKE ME HAVE THE
22 CRITICAL THINKING ABILITIES TO CHOOSE THE RIGHT PERSON.
23 MOREOVER, TO BE ABLE TO HOLD THEM ACCOUNTABLE POLITICALLY. I
24 BELIEVE THAT THE NUMBERS SPEAK FOR THEMSELVES. IT'S THE LAW,



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1 AND IT'S MASS AND IT'S COMMON SENSE, SO I'D REALLY URGE YOU TO
2 SUPPORT REDISTRICTING L.A. COUNTY AND OPPOSING A-3. THANK YOU.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. YES, MA'AM.

5

6 **GRACE GONZALEZ:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS GRACE GONZALEZ AND
7 I AM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF AN ORGANIZATION BASED OUT OF
8 EAST LOS ANGELES KNOWN'S VELA, VOLUNTEERS OF EAST LOS ANGELES,
9 AND THE REASON THAT WE ARE SUPPORTING T-1, SUPERVISOR MOLINA,
10 IS BECAUSE WE HAVE HAD A TREMENDOUS COLLABORATION WITH HER. WE
11 WENT FROM AN AGENCY OF SERVING 500 INDIVIDUALS TO CURRENTLY
12 SERVING OVER 15,000 INDIVIDUALS THROUGHOUT THE FIRST DISTRICT.
13 AND THROUGH HER LEADERSHIP, SHE HAS DEMONSTRATED THAT SHE
14 TRULY, TRULY UNDERSTANDS THE NEEDS OF OUR COMMUNITY. AND I
15 THINK THAT THAT ALONE SAYS A LOT IN REGARDS TO HOW WE AS A
16 COMMUNITY ARE GOING TO SUPPORT T-1. IF WE DON'T GO THIS WAY,
17 WE WILL LOSE ACCESS TO RESOURCES. OUR COMMUNITY DESERVES FAIR
18 EQUALITY. A CONTINUATION OF ACCESS TO PUBLIC SAFETY, HEALTH,
19 GREEN SPACE. I'M LOOKING AT WHAT'S GOING TO BE TAKEN AWAY AND
20 THE IMPACT THAT IT'S GOING TO HAVE IN OUR COMMUNITY. I MAKE A
21 CHOICE TO WHERE I WORK. I WORK IN EAST L.A. BECAUSE I TRULY
22 BELIEVE THAT WE ARE AN EDUCATED --

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24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MA'AM. APPRECIATE
25 IT. THIS CONCLUDES ALL OF THE INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE SIGNED UP



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1 TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM TODAY. WE APPRECIATE EVERYBODY'S
2 COOPERATION AND WE WILL NOW MOVE TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARINGS
3 ON PLANS T-1, S-2 AND A-3. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA.
4 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED, AND NOW WE WILL BEGIN
5 DISCUSSION AMONG THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

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7 **SUP. MOLINA:** ALL RIGHT, AND I THINK MY STAFF IS GOING TO HELP
8 ME WITH THE POWERPOINT, AND I THINK THEY'LL SET THAT UP.
9 MARTHA? I WANT TO BEGIN BY THANKING SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. I
10 KNOW THIS WAS A TOUGH SESSION TO PROVIDE LEADERSHIP TO. THERE
11 WERE A LOT OF PEOPLE THAT WANTED TO SPEAK, BUT I THINK YOU
12 HANDLED IT VERY WELL AND I THANK YOU AND YOUR STAFF FOR
13 ALLOWING ALL OF THESE HEARINGS TO EXIST. I THINK PEOPLE FEEL
14 MORE COMFORTABLE ABOUT THE DECISION THEY WILL MAKE BECAUSE AT
15 LEAST THEY HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO PARTICIPATE, SO WE THANK YOU.
16 (APPLAUSE)

17

18 **SUP. MOLINA:** ALL RIGHT. I'M GOING TO HAVE MARTHA HELP ME WITH
19 THIS BECAUSE IF I RUN THE MACHINE, I WON'T DO IT RIGHT. BUT I
20 WANTED TO PRESENT A POWERPOINT BECAUSE I THINK THIS IS A VERY
21 SIGNIFICANT ISSUE, AS WE KNOW AND MANY OF YOU KNOW, THIS IS A
22 CRITICAL MOMENT IN THE HISTORY OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.
23 THIS IS GOING TO BE THE FIRST TIME IN 20 YEARS SINCE 1991 THAT
24 THIS BOARD WILL ADOPT A DISTRICTING MAP THAT HAS NOT BEEN
25 REQUIRED EITHER BY A COURT ORDER REVIEWED AND APPROVED BY THE



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1 JUSTICE DEPARTMENT OF THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT. THIS BOARD
2 HAS THE OPPORTUNITY TO LEARN FROM OUR MISTAKES AND CHOOSE TO
3 MAKE HISTORY RATHER THAN REPEAT IT. BUT BEFORE WE TAKE THIS
4 IMPORTANT VOTE, IT IS CRITICAL THAT WE UNDERSTAND THE HISTORY
5 AND THE CURRENT REALITY OF LATINO EXPERIENCE IN L.A. COUNTY.
6 MY PRESENTATION TODAY WILL TOUCH BRIEFLY ON THREE KEY ISSUES.
7 NUMBER ONE, THE HISTORY AND THE CONTINUING LEGACY OF LATINO
8 DISEMPOWERMENT IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. NUMBER TWO, THE
9 REQUIREMENTS OF THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT AND, THREE, THE BOARD'S
10 OBLIGATION TO SELECT A MAP THAT COMPLIES WITH THE VOTING
11 RIGHTS ACT AND OUR U.S. CONSTITUTION. IN 1990, THE U.S. COURT
12 OF APPEALS FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT UPHELD THE FEDERAL DISTRICT
13 COURT'S FINDING THAT THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF
14 SUPERVISORS VIOLATED THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT AND THE U.S.
15 CONSTITUTION BY DELIBERATELY, BY DELIBERATELY DILUTING THE
16 STRENGTH OF THE LATINO VOTE IN ORDER TO PRESERVE THEIR
17 INCUMBENCIES. THIS HISTORY, DOCUMENTED IN THE GARZA- COUNTY OF
18 LOS ANGELES SPANNED FROM THE 1950S THROUGH 1990. DURING THAT
19 40-YEAR PERIOD THE FEDERAL COURT FOUND THAT SUPERVISORS
20 ACTIVELY ATTEMPTED TO PRESERVE THE STATUS QUO BY DELIBERATELY
21 DRAWING DISTRICT LINES TO MAINTAIN THEIR SUPERVISORIAL
22 DISTRICT SEATS AT THE EXPENSE OF LATINO CITIZENS IN LOS
23 ANGELES COUNTY. THE ARGUMENTS MADE THEN ARE THE SAME ARGUMENTS
24 BEING MADE TODAY, THAT CHANGING THE DISTRICT LINES WOULD BE
25 TOO DISRUPTIVE, THAT EXISTING RELATIONSHIPS ARE MORE



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1 IMPORTANT, THAT NEW DISTRICT NEIGHBORS AND/OR A NEW SUPERVISOR
2 WOULD NOT UNDERSTAND THE NEEDS OF A PARTICULAR SPECIAL
3 INTEREST GROUP. THE COURT HEARD ALL OF THESE ARGUMENTS AND
4 REJECTED THEM. WHY? BECAUSE AS THIS MAP CLEARLY SHOWS, THE
5 BOARD INTENTIONALLY DREW LINES TO SPLIT THE CORE OF THE LATINO
6 POPULATION IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. AS YOU CAN SEE BY THE
7 BOARD'S MAP, SPLIT THE LATINO CORE BETWEEN THE FIRST AND THE
8 THIRD DISTRICTS. THE GARZA COURT ORDERED DISTRICT LINES TO BE
9 DRAWN THAT GAVE THE LATINO COMMUNITY A MEANINGFUL OPPORTUNITY,
10 AGAIN, A MEANINGFUL OPPORTUNITY TO ELECT A SUPERVISORIAL
11 CANDIDATE OF THEIR CHOICE. IN COMPLYING WITH THE VOTING RIGHTS
12 ACT IN THE CONSTITUTION, THE COURT CHANGED DISTRICT LINES,
13 AFFECTING OVER 3 MILLION PEOPLE, INTO THE DISTRICTS THAT WE
14 HAVE TODAY. IRONICALLY, THESE ARE THE VERY DISTRICT LINES THAT
15 ARE NOW BEING SO VEHEMENTLY DEFENDED BY THIS BOARD, ALL OF
16 THESE LINES WERE DRAWN BY A JUDGE. SINCE GARZA, THE 1990, THE
17 LATINO POPULATION AS GROWN BY 1.3 MILLION PEOPLE. TODAY,
18 LATINOS COMPRISE NEARLY HALF OF ALL THE RESIDENTS IN LOS
19 ANGELES COUNTY, BUT MORE IMPORTANTLY, THERE ARE ENOUGH LATINO
20 CITIZENS OF VOTING AGE TO COMPRISE MORE THAN 50% OF TWO
21 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS AS CAN BE SEEN IN TWO DIFFERENT MAPS
22 BEFORE THIS BOARD. THE T-I MAP WHICH I INTRODUCED CREATES A
23 LATINO OPPORTUNITY DISTRICT IN THE FIRST AND THIRD DISTRICTS.
24 AGAIN, MYSELF AS WELL AS SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY ARE TERM
25 LIMITED, SO CONSEQUENTLY, WE COULD BOW OUT GRACEFULLY AND



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1 ALLOW FOR THE FUTURE OF THIS BOARD TO FOLLOW THE VOTING RIGHTS
2 ACT. THE S-2 MAP INTRODUCED BY SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS
3 CREATES TWO LATINO OPPORTUNITY DISTRICTS IN THE FIRST AND
4 FOURTH DISTRICTS. SEVEN OTHER MAPS WITH TWO LATINO OPPORTUNITY
5 DISTRICTS WERE PRESENTED TO THE BOUNDARY REVIEW COMMITTEE. BUT
6 YOU MAY ASK, GIVEN THE LARGE LATINO POPULATION, WHY IS THERE A
7 NEED TO CREATE TWO LATINO DISTRICTS? THE ANSWER IS, AS I WILL
8 SHOW YOU, THAT THE LEGACY OF LATINO POLITICAL EXCLUSION AND
9 DISCRIMINATION IN L.A. COUNTY IS SO PERVASIVE THAT IT HAS
10 AFFECTED NOT ONLY THE WAY LATINOS AND LATINO CANDIDATES ARE
11 PERCEIVED BY NONLATINOS, BUT THE WAY LATINOS PERCEIVE THEIR
12 OWN ABILITY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE ELECTORAL PROCESS. IN LOS
13 ANGELES, THE HISTORY OF THE LATINO POLITICAL EXCLUSION CAN BE
14 TRACED AS FAR BACK AS 1880 WHEN DISCRIMINATORY WARD-BASED
15 ELECTORAL SYSTEMS FRAGMENTED MEXICAN-AMERICAN CITIZENS' VOTE.
16 THE LEGACY OF DISCRIMINATION WAS REPLICATED IN ALL WALKS OF
17 LIFE. IN EDUCATION, MENDEZ VERSUS WESTMINSTER OVERTURNED THE
18 LAWS THAT MANDATED THE SEGREGATION OF MEXICAN STUDENTS INTO
19 MEXICAN SCHOOLS. IN HOUSING, MEXICAN-AMERICANS HAD THEIR HOMES
20 AND LANDS TAKEN AWAY FROM THEM BY FORCE OR THROUGH THE
21 ILLEGITIMATE ACTIONS OF STATE COURTS. LATER, LATINOS FACED
22 DISCRIMINATORY HOUSING COVENANTS UNTIL RULED ILLEGAL BY THE
23 U.S. SUPREME COURT. AND IN HEALTH, IN 1975, ATTORNEYS FILED
24 AGAINST THE COUNTY, LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND ITS DOCTORS BECAUSE
25 OF THE FORCED STERILIZATION OF WOMEN WITHOUT THEIR CONSENT. I



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1 WAS THE LEAD PLAINTIFF IN THAT CLASS ACTION LAWSUIT AGAINST
2 THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. IN JUSTICE BEGINNING IN 1855,
3 LATINOS WERE THE TARGET OF SPECIFIC LAWS AIMED AT CONTROLLING
4 AND CRIMINALIZING THEIR CULTURE AS WELL AS THEIR PAST TIMES,
5 THINLY VEILED AS ANTI-VAGRANCY -- LAWS. DISPROPORTIONATE
6 SENTENCING RULES AND POLICE BRUTALITY AGAINST LATINOS ARE ALL
7 VERY WELL DOCUMENTED. AND ENVIRONMENT. THE HISTORICAL
8 DISPLACEMENT OF LATINO COMMUNITY WITHOUT DUE PROCESS AND THE
9 PLACEMENT OF FREEWAYS AND ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARDS IN AND THROUGH
10 THE LATINO COMMUNITY EXPLAINS WHY LATINOS AND THEIR CHILDREN
11 ARE EXPOSED TO THE HIGHEST LEVELS OF POLLUTION IN THIS COUNTY.
12 AS TODAY'S TESTIMONY SHOWED, THE T-1 AND S-2 MAPS DO A FAR
13 BETTER JOB OF CONNECTING COMMUNITIES EQUALLY BURDENED BY THOSE
14 ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARDS. GIVEN THE HISTORY IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY
15 AS PROFESSOR MATT BARRETO TESTIFIED TODAY, NONLATINOS ARE MUCH
16 MORE LIKELY TO VOTE AGAINST WHOMEVER THE LATINO CANDIDATE MOST
17 PREFERS AS ITS CANDIDATE OF CHOICE. WHY IS THIS IMPORTANT?
18 BECAUSE GIVEN THE LATINOS' LONG HISTORY OF DISCRIMINATION AND
19 POLITICAL EXCLUSION, THIS BOARD HAS A DUTY, UNDER THE VOTING
20 RIGHTS ACT TO DRAW DISTRICT LINES THAT DO NOT PERPETUATE THAT
21 EXCLUSION. THE A-3 MAP AS CURRENTLY DRAWN PROVIDES ONLY ONE
22 LATINO OPPORTUNITY DISTRICT, ESSENTIALLY THE SAME ONE THAT THE
23 COURTS CREATED 20 YEARS AGO. HOW DO WE KNOW WHETHER
24 MAINTAINING THE STATUS QUO ACTUALLY VIOLATES THE VOTING RIGHT
25 ACTS AND WHAT DOES THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT REQUIRE? SECTION 2,



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1 THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT PROHIBITS ANY LAW OR PRACTICE THAT WOULD
2 HAVE THE PURPOSE OR EFFECT OF DENYING THE RIGHT TO VOTE TO
3 INDIVIDUALS BASED ON THEIR RACE, COLOR, OR MEMBERSHIP IN A
4 LANGUAGE MINORITY GROUP. COURTS LOOK AT THREE THRESHOLD
5 FACTORS AND A HOST OF SOCIAL AND HISTORICAL FACTORS TO
6 DETERMINE WHETHER THE JURISDICTION IS REQUIRED TO GROW ONE OR
7 MORE MINORITY DISTRICTS IN ORDER TO COMPLY WITH THE VOTING
8 RIGHTS ACT. THE THREE THRESHOLD FACTORS SET OUT BY THE SUPREME
9 COURT IN GINGLES VERSUS THORNBERG INCLUDE, ONE, 50% CITIZEN
10 VOTING AGE POPULATION, IS THE LATINO POPULATION SUFFICIENTLY
11 LARGE AND GEOGRAPHICALLY COMPACT TO CONSTITUTE A MAJORITY IN
12 ONE OR MORE SINGLE MEMBER DISTRICT? TWO, POLITICAL COHESION.
13 DO LATINOS GENERALLY VOTE FOR THE SAME CANDIDATES AND ISSUES?
14 THREE, RACIAL BLOC VOTING. DO NONLATINOS VOTE SUFFICIENTLY AS
15 A BLOC, USUALLY TO DEFEAT THE MINORITIES' PREFERRED
16 CANDIDATES. THE ANSWER TO ALL OF THESE QUESTIONS IS YES. THE
17 T-1 AND THE S-2 MAPS CLEARLY MEET THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE
18 VOTING RIGHTS ACT. IN T-1, LATINOS COMPRISE OVER 50% OF THE
19 CITIZENS VOTING AGE POPULATION OF THE DISTRICTS ONE AND THREE.
20 IN S-2, LATINOS COMPRISE OVER 50% OF THE C-VAP NUMBERS OF
21 DISTRICT ONE AND FOUR. IN TERMS OF LATINO POLITICAL COHESION,
22 OF THE 27 RECENT ELECTIONS ANALYZED BY PROFESSOR BARRETO IN
23 HIS REPORT, ON AVERAGE, 71% OF LATINOS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY
24 VOTED FOR LATINO CANDIDATES. WITH REGARD TO RACIAL BLOC
25 VOTING, USING THOSE VERY SAME 27 RECENT ELECTIONS, PROFESSOR



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1 BARRETO FOUND THAT ON AVERAGE, 70% OF NONLATINO VOTED AGAINST
2 LATINO CANDIDATES. 70% OF NONLATINOS VOTED AGAINST LATINO
3 CANDIDATES. IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, VOTING IS RACIALLY-
4 POLARIZED AND WHERE DISTRICTS AREN'T DRAWN SPECIFICALLY TO
5 GIVE THE LATINO COMMUNITY AN EFFECTIVE OPPORTUNITY TO ELECT
6 CANDIDATES OF CHOICE MOST OF THE TIME, THE LATINO COMMUNITY'S
7 CHOICE LOSES. WHERE THE COMMUNITY HAS SUCCESS IT'S
8 OVERWHELMING FROM THE DISTRICTS TO GIVE AN EFFECTIVE
9 OPPORTUNITY, WHICH IS WHY ALL FOUR OF THE CURRENT LATINO
10 MEMBERS OF CONGRESS AND 11 OF THE 13 LATINO STATE LEGISLATORS
11 WHOSE DISTRICTS ARE WHOLLY OR PARTIALLY IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY
12 ARE ALL ELECTED FROM DISTRICTS WITH AT LEAST 50% LATINO
13 CITIZEN VOTING AGE POPULATION. IN CONTRAST, THE A-3 STATUS QUO
14 MAP MAINTAINS THE DISTRICT LINES OF 20 YEARS AGO AND PACKS
15 ALMOST 60% OF THE LATINO CITIZEN VOTING AGE POPULATION INTO
16 DISTRICT ONE, FRAGMENTING THE REMAINING LATINO CITIZEN VOTING
17 AGE POPULATION ACROSS FOUR DISTRICTS, ONE AT 34%, ONE AT 23.8,
18 ANOTHER AT 32.8 AND 27.3. DESPITE THE FACT THAT LATINOS
19 COMPRISE HALF OF THE POPULATION OF THE COUNTY AND ALMOST 34%
20 OF THE CITIZEN VOTING AGE POPULATION, THE PROPOSED A-3 MAP
21 DIVIDES THE LATINO COMMUNITY IN SUCH A WAY AS TO LIMIT THE
22 ABILITY OF A LATINO CANDIDATE TO SELECT AND ELECT THE
23 CANDIDATE OF THEIR CHOICE TO ONE DISTRICT, WHILE ENSURING THAT
24 LATINOS WILL CONSISTENTLY BE OUTVOTED IN THE REMAINING FOUR
25 DISTRICTS, BY CAPPING THE LATINO CITIZEN VOTING AGE POPULATION



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1 TO ONE-THIRD OR LESS OF THE CITIZEN VOTING AGE POPULATION IN
2 THOSE DISTRICTS. DILUTING THE LATINO VOICE IS A VIOLATION OF
3 THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT. SADLY, THE FRAGMENTATION OF THE LATINO
4 COMMUNITY PROPOSED BY THE BOARD IN THE A-3 MAP IS REMINISCENT
5 OF THE STRATEGY USED BY THIS BOARD FROM THE 1950S TO THE 1990S
6 TO DILUTE LATINO EMPOWERMENT. PROPONENTS OF THE A-3 MAP HAVE
7 NOT REFUTED THE EVIDENCE PROVIDED BY THE BOUNDARY REVIEW
8 COMMITTEE'S MINORITY REPORT THAT UNDER SECTION 2 OF THE VOTING
9 RIGHTS ACT, TWO EFFECTIVE LATINO OPPORTUNITY DISTRICTS ARE
10 REQUIRED. AT A TIME OF EXTREME ECONOMIC HARDSHIP AND
11 DIFFICULTY FOR ALL RESIDENTS OF THE COUNTY, THIS BOARD SHOULD
12 NOT TAKE AN INDEFENSIBLE POSITION THAT WOULD BE INVITING
13 LITIGATION, COSTING THE COUNTY MILLIONS OF DOLLARS THAT WE
14 CERTAINLY CAN'T AFFORD. LASTLY, WHILE WE UNDERSTAND THAT
15 CHANGE IS DIFFICULT AND THAT RELATIONSHIPS MATTER, AS CITIZENS
16 AND AMERICANS, WE EMBRACE THE OBLIGATIONS OF OUR U.S.
17 CONSTITUTION, OUR LAWS AND OUR DEMOCRATIC PRINCIPLES WHICH
18 REQUIRE US TO ENSURE THAT WE DO NOT VIOLATE THE FUNDAMENTAL
19 RIGHTS OF SOME FOR THE CONVENIENCE OF OTHERS. AS I HAVE SHOWN,
20 THE LATINO COMMUNITY MEETS ALL OF THE REQUIREMENTS UNDER THE
21 VOTING RIGHTS ACT TO SUPPORT AN ADDITIONAL LATINO OPPORTUNITY
22 DISTRICT. THIS BOARD IS OBLIGATED TO CREATE TWO LATINO
23 OPPORTUNITY DISTRICTS UNDER THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT THAT INSURE
24 THE LATINO CITIZENS IN THIS COUNTRY HAVE AN EFFECTIVE
25 OPPORTUNITY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE ELECTORAL PROCESS AND TO



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1 ELECT THE CANDIDATE OF THEIR CHOICE. I URGE THIS BOARD TO DO
2 THE RIGHT THING. LET'S MAKE HISTORY. LET'S NOT REPEAT IT.
3 [APPLAUSE.] (GAVEL) .

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5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** PLEASE, WE CANNOT ALLOW APPLAUSE. YOU
6 CAN DO THE HAND WAVE AS I SAID AT THE BEGINNING OF THIS
7 MEETING TO EXPRESS YOUR SUPPORT OR DISPLEASURE, THANK YOU.
8 OKAY. WE HAVE THREE PLANS THAT ARE ON THE TABLE. AND THE
9 PROGRAM SHOULD PROCEED BY VOTING ON EACH OF THE THREE
10 BEGINNING WITH THE FIRST PLAN.

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12 **SUP. KNABE:** I HAVE SOME COMMENTS.

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14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. COMMENT. SUPERVISOR KNABE.

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16 **SUP. KNABE:** I, LIKE SUPERVISOR MOLINA, WANT TO THANK EVERYONE
17 WHO HAS TAKEN TIME TO COME DOWN TODAY AND THE OTHER TWO PUBLIC
18 HEARINGS AS WELL AS THE B.R.C. PROCESS, TO PARTICIPATE. WHILE
19 THIS IS A VERY DIFFICULT AND COMPLICATED PROCESS, THERE IS
20 SOMETHING REALLY SPECIAL ABOUT WHAT HAS HAPPENED OVER THE LAST
21 SEVERAL MONTHS, AND IT'S BEEN OUR DEMOCRACY AT WORK.
22 THROUGHOUT THIS REDISTRICTING PROCESS, HUNDREDS AND HUNDREDS
23 OF PEOPLE HAVE COME TO TESTIFY. WE'VE RECEIVED THOUSANDS OF
24 LETTERS FROM CONCERNED CONSTITUENTS. AND WHETHER WE AGREE OR
25 DISAGREE, THE VOICES HAVE TRULY MADE A DIFFERENCE. I'D ALSO



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1 LIKE TO SAY THANK YOU AND RECOGNIZE THE MEMBERS OF THE
2 BOUNDARY REVIEW COMMITTEE WHO VOLUNTEERED THEIR TIME AND
3 ENERGY OVER THE LAST SEVERAL MONTHS. I'D ALSO LIKE TO THANK
4 THE COUNTY STAFF FOR THEIR HARD WORK IN ANALYZING THE PLANS
5 AND CRUNCHING THE NUMBERS TIME AND TIME AGAIN THROUGHOUT THE
6 PROCESS AS WELL AS THANKING MY OWN STAFF FOR ALL THEIR EFFORTS
7 ON BEHALF OF THE DISTRICT, THE PROCESS AND ALL THE CITIZENS OF
8 LOS ANGELES COUNTY. WHILE I'M HAPPY TO SAY THAT WE'VE HAD THE
9 MOST OPEN AND INCLUSIVE PROCESS EVER WITH OVER 19 MAPS
10 SUBMITTED BY THE PUBLIC, IT MEANT MUCH MORE WORK FOR THEM AND
11 THEY DID AN INCREDIBLE JOB, COUNTY STAFF AND OUTSIDE COUNSEL
12 AND EVERYONE ELSE, SO WE WANT TO SAY THANK YOU, AS WELL. AND
13 ALTHOUGH DIFFERENT VIEWS HAVE BEEN PRESENTED, THE OVERWHELMING
14 MESSAGE THAT WE HAVE HEARD ACROSS GEOGRAPHY AND DEMOGRAPHICS
15 IS THAT THE SYSTEM IS WORKING. COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST HAVE
16 BUILT LONG-ESTABLISHED RELATIONSHIPS WITHIN OUR DISTRICT. THEY
17 HAVE WORKED HARD TO CREATE THESE COALITIONS. AND OBVIOUSLY I
18 CAN ONLY SPEAK TO MY DISTRICT HERE BUT I'VE HEARD FROM OTHER
19 DISTRICTS THROUGHOUT THIS TESTIMONY THAT WE HAVE ALL WORKED
20 VERY HARD TO BUILD THEIR TRUST AND BE RESPONSIVE TO THEIR
21 UNIQUE NEEDS, ALL NEEDS. PLANS S-2 AND T-1 WOULD REQUIRE THEM
22 TO ALL UNDO THAT AGAIN AND START ALL OVER AGAIN. AS WE KNOW,
23 LOS ANGELES COUNTY IS THE MOST DIVERSE COUNTY IN AMERICA. WE
24 HAVE THE LARGEST NUMBER OF FOREIGN-BORN RESIDENTS IN THE
25 NATION. WE ARE THE MOST RELIGIOUSLY DIVERSE. AND WE SPEAK OVER



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1 135 LANGUAGES. I THINK I SPEAK FOR ALL OF US UP HERE WITH THE
2 PRIVILEGE OF BEING A LOS ANGELES COUNTY SUPERVISOR, IT IS OUR
3 JOB AND MY JOB TO REPRESENT ALL OF THOSE CULTURES, RELIGIONS
4 AND LANGUAGES, NOT JUST THE ONES THAT I AM OR PRACTICE OR
5 SPEAK. I'VE READ A LOT ABOUT MYSELF THE LAST SEVERAL MONTHS. I
6 WANT TO CONFIRM A COUPLE OF THINGS. I'M WHITE. I'M A
7 REPUBLICAN. I LIVE IN CERRITOS. AND YES, I'M RUNNING FOR RE-
8 ELECTION. BUT THE SUGGESTION, THE BARE SUGGESTION THAT I CAN
9 ONLY PROVIDE AN OUTSTANDING LEVEL OF SERVICE FOR THE PEOPLE
10 WHO LOOK LIKE ME IS FRANKLY, INSULTING. I'VE BEEN VERY
11 FORTUNATE TO HAVE MANY OF YOU FROM ALL AREAS OF MY DISTRICT,
12 FROM ALL RACES AND ETHNICITIES, FROM ALL THE SOCIAL AND
13 ECONOMIC BACKGROUNDS COME DOWN TO THESE MEETINGS AND VOICE
14 YOUR SUPPORT FOR ME, FOR THE FOURTH DISTRICT, FOR THE OTHER
15 SUPERVISORS, FOR THEIR DISTRICTS; AND I CAN ONLY SPEAK FOR
16 MYSELF BUT FROM THE BOTTOM OF MY HEART, I APPRECIATE IT MORE
17 THAN YOU ALL WILL EVER KNOW. BUT IN THE END, AS WAS MENTIONED,
18 THIS ISN'T ABOUT ME. WE DO HAVE TERM LIMITS. IT'S ABOUT THE
19 REPRESENTATION OF 10 MILLION PEOPLE WHO LIVE IN THIS GREAT
20 COUNTY ACROSS ALL THE DISTRICTS WE UNDERSTAND THAT EACH ISSUE
21 IS UNIQUE TO EACH GEOGRAPHY AND DEMOGRAPHIC, AND THE RESULT IS
22 PROGRESS AND EFFICIENCY. COMPARED TO OTHER LEVELS OF
23 GOVERNMENT, WE HAVE BEEN ABLE TO AVOID THE HUGE BUDGET
24 DEFICITS AND DRAMATIC CUTS IN SERVICES WHICH IS TESTIMONY TO
25 THE PRUDENCE AND STABILITY THAT COMES WITH DECADES OF



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1 FAMILIARITY AND VERY, VERY STRONG RELATIONSHIPS. IF YOU LOOK
2 AT THE RECORD OF THIS BOARD AND ITS DIVERSITY AND SOME SAY
3 STATUS QUO, YOU SEE VERY FEW, VERY FEW 3-2 VOTES. MOST OF THEM
4 ARE 5-0, 4-1 BECAUSE WE ARE, AT THE END OF THE DAY, DEALING
5 WITH SAFETY NET ISSUES, NOT THE WAR IN IRAQ OR AFGHANISTAN OR
6 ANY OTHER PARTS OF THE WORLD; BUT TO THE PEOPLE RIGHT HERE IN
7 THE LARGEST, MOST POPULACE COUNTY IN AMERICA. MY PLAN, A-3
8 MOVES JUST OVER 277,000 PEOPLE TO NEW DISTRICTS. PLANS S-2 AND
9 T-1 ON THEIR OWN MOVE APPROXIMATELY 3-1/2 MILLION PEOPLE.
10 UNDER THOSE TWO PLANS, S-2 AND T-1, WE NOT ONLY FURTHER DIVIDE
11 PEOPLE, BUT WE ALSO DEFER THEIR VOTE AS WELL. SO THAT WOULD
12 MEAN THAT MILLIONS OF PEOPLE ACROSS THIS COUNTY WOULD BE
13 REPRESENTED BY SOMEONE, AND YOU'VE HEARD THAT TESTIMONY, FOR
14 WHOM THEY'VE NEVER CAST A VOTE. AND WHILE MY PLAN ATTEMPTS TO
15 UNITE AS MANY COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST AS POSSIBLE, PLANS S-2
16 AND T-1 FURTHER DIVIDE THOSE COMMUNITIES. WE'RE HERE TODAY
17 BECAUSE OUR NATIONAL CENSUS AND CONSTITUTION REQUIRE LOS
18 ANGELES COUNTY TO ADJUST OUR DISTRICT BOUNDARIES TO REFLECT
19 SHIFTS IN POPULATIONS THAT HAVE OCCURRED OVER THE LAST DECADE.
20 WE HAVE TO DO IT EVERY 10 YEARS. IN DOING SO, WE ARE GUIDED BY
21 COMMON SENSE, CASE LAW, AND MOST IMPORTANTLY THE VOTING RIGHTS
22 ACT OF 1965, THE LANDMARK LEGISLATION THAT OUTLAWED
23 DISCRIMINATORY VOTING PRACTICES AND THE DISENFRANCHISEMENT OF
24 MINORITIES IN THE ELECTORAL PROCESS. 20 YEARS AGO, THE COURTS
25 FOUND THAT THIS COUNTY, LOS ANGELES COUNTY, TO BE IN VIOLATION



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1 OF THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT WHEN IT REDREW ITS BOUNDARIES TEN
2 YEARS PRIOR. I'M WELL AWARE OF THAT AND IT'S BEEN FORMED AND
3 OBVIOUSLY HAS SHAPED EVERY REDISTRICTING EFFORT SINCE,
4 INCLUDING THIS ONE, AND WILL DO SO FOREVER MORE. BUT WE CANNOT
5 HOLD ONTO THE PAST WHEN WE SEE CLEAR ILLUSTRATIONS OF CHANGE
6 WITH THE ELECTION OF MINORITY CANDIDATES AT EVERY LEVEL OF
7 GOVERNMENT, FROM THE PRESIDENT TO OUR STATE OFFICIALS TO THE
8 MAYOR OF LOS ANGELES, TO TWO OF OUR THREE ELECTED COUNTY
9 OFFICIALS AND IN MY OWN DISTRICT, ASSEMBLY MEMBER TONY
10 MENDOZA, AND IN THE LATE JENNY OROPEZA ON THE STATE SENATE ON
11 THE WEST SIDE. THE COUNTY'S OUTSIDE COUNSEL HAS SAID THAT A-3
12 MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT. THESE LAWYERS
13 ARE UNBIASED AND REPRESENT ALL OF US. THEY'RE NOT PAID BY ANY
14 ONE OF US OR ANY SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP WITH A SPECIAL AGENDA.
15 WHILE MEETING THE LETTER AND SPIRIT OF THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT,
16 PLAN A-3 ALSO UNITES NEIGHBORHOODS AND MAINTAINS COMMUNITIES
17 THAT HAVE SHARED THE SAME ISSUES, SERVICES AND REPRESENTATION
18 FOR OVER 20 YEARS. MAPS S-2 AND T-1 WERE DRAWN WITH A SPECIFIC
19 GOAL OF CREATING A SECOND LATINO SEAT. IN DOING SO, HOWEVER,
20 THEY AREN'T ABOUT CREATING VOTER OPPORTUNITY; THEY'RE TRYING
21 TO GUARANTEE AN ELECTORAL OUTCOME, WHICH GOES AGAINST
22 EVERYTHING THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT IS ABOUT. AND IT'S NOT JUST
23 ME SAYING THIS. I'D LIKE TO QUOTE FROM A LETTER SIGNED BY
24 COMMUNITY LEADERS REPRESENTING DIFFERENT ETHNIC GROUPS ACROSS
25 OUR COUNTY, MARIO GUERO, THE COUNCIL MEMBER FROM DOWNEY,



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1 CARMEN PEREZ, MARIQ OCONN, ED WILSON, CHARLES AND MARTHA
2 HOUSE, MANY OF YOU KNOW, AND THEY QUOTE "IN RECENT WEEKS,
3 MALDEF HAS PUSHED A DIVISIVE MYTH ABOUT THE CITIZENS OF LOS
4 ANGELES COUNTY THAT ASIAN PACIFIC ISLANDERS, AFRICAN-
5 AMERICANS, ANGLOS AND OTHER GROUPS ROUTINELY VOTE IN BLOCS TO
6 PREVENT LATINOS FROM WINNING ELECTIVE OFFICE. AS A COALITION
7 OF MINORITY VOICES IN ONE OF THE ETHNICALLY AND RACIALLY-
8 DIVERSE COUNTIES IN THE COUNTRY INCLUDING MANY LATINO GROUPS
9 AND LATINO LEADERS, WE DO NOT AGREE WITH MALDEF. BUT UNDER
10 EITHER OF THESE PLANS, LATINO CANDIDATES WOULD BE ABLE TO RUN
11 IN DISTRICTS WHOSE ELIGIBLE VOTERS ARE OVER 50 PERCENT LATINO.
12 SO WHILE THE VOTING RIGHT ACT REQUIRES EQUAL OPPORTUNITY FOR
13 CERTAIN LATINO INTEREST GROUPS IN L.A. DEMAND CONTROL.
14 IRONICALLY, THIS WOULD BE ACCOMPLISHED IN PLANS S-2 AND T-1 BY
15 DILUTING THE VOTING POWERS OF A.P.I.S AND OTHER MINORITY
16 GROUPS. FINALLY THEY GO ON TO QUESTION THE CLAIM THAT
17 NONLATINO VOTERS BAND TOGETHER AT ELECTION TIME TO PREVENT
18 LATINOS FROM WINING BY CITING AS THE FEDERAL COURT FOUND IN
19 REJECTING THE CASE BROUGHT BY MALDEF IN 2001, MUCH MORE RECENT
20 THAN THE ACTIONS IN 1980 AND 1990, IT TAKES FAR LESS THAN A 50
21 PERCENT MAJORITY TO ENSURE LATINOS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY WHERE
22 NONLATINOS REGULARLY VOTE FOR LATINO CANDIDATES. AND THIS CASE
23 INVOLVED THE DISTRICT LOCATED IN THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY. THE
24 FEDERAL COURT FOUND OVER 30 PERCENT OF NONLATINO VOTERS
25 AFFECTED REGULARLY CROSSED OVER TO VOTE FOR LATINO CANDIDATES



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1 WHILE ONLY 3 PERCENT OF LATINOS WERE WILLING TO VOTE FOR A
2 NONLATINO CANDIDATE IF A LATINO CANDIDATE WAS RUNNING. AS
3 THESE COMMUNITY LEADERS SUGGEST, PLANS S-2 AND T-1 TAKE US
4 BACK DECADES, HANGING ONTO THE LEGAL BATTLES OF 20 YEARS AGO,
5 THERE'S NOTHING TO MOVE US FORWARD. YES, THE COURTS RULED THAT
6 THERE WAS DISCRIMINATION AT THAT TIME. AND THE BOARD SHOULD
7 HAVE AND DID CORRECT THAT. WE MUST ALWAYS BE COMMITTED AND
8 DILIGENT ABOUT INSURING THE REPRESENTATION AND RIGHTS OF ALL
9 ETHNICITIES IN OUR GREAT COUNTY. BUT THAT DOES NOT MEAN
10 PITTING ONE RACIAL GROUP AGAINST THE OTHER. I AGAIN JUST WANT
11 TO THANK EVERYONE WHO HAS TAKEN THE TIME TO PARTICIPATE IN
12 THIS PROCESS. I KNOW AT THE END OF THE DAY WE ALL SHARE A LOVE
13 OF THIS GREAT COUNTY. I BELIEVE THAT OUR STRENGTH COMES FROM
14 OUR DIVERSITY AND OUR VIBRANCY FROM THE CULTURES WE RESPECT,
15 TREASURE AND DEAL WITH. IN THESE TOUGH ECONOMIC TIMES, WE NEED
16 TO JOIN TOGETHER ACROSS RACES AND GEOGRAPHY NO DIVERT TO THE
17 RACIAL DIVIDE OF 30 YEARS AGO. THE POLITICS OF NOW IS ABOUT
18 WORKING TOGETHER TO SOLVE OUR PROBLEMS AND TO HELP THOSE WHO
19 NEED US NOW MORE THAN EVER. WE NEED TO MOVE FORWARD. WE'RE
20 GOING TO BE DEALING WITH RETURNING OF PAROLEES ON OCTOBER 1,
21 HEALTHCARE ISSUES, BUDGET. BUT AT THE END OF THE DAY OUR JOB
22 AS ELECTED OFFICIALS IS TO REPRESENT ALL ETHNICITIES, ALL
23 PEOPLE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. SO WITH THAT, MR. MAYOR, I WOULD
24 MOVE ITEM A-3.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION FOR A-3. I'LL SECOND IT. I
2 THOUGHT WE WERE GOING TO DO A1, A2, A-3.

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4 **SUP. KNABE:** YOU CAN DO IT ANY WAY YOU WANT.

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6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** I'D JUST AS SOON DO 1, 2, 3 AND THEN -
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9 **SUP. KNABE:** HOWEVER YOU WANT TO DO IT. I JUST PUT IT ON THE
10 TABLE.

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12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. WE'LL JUST PUT IT ON THE TABLE.

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14 **SUP. KNABE:** I THOUGHT WE HAD TO PUT IT ON THE TABLE. SO IT'S
15 ON THE TABLE.

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17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SO IF NO OTHER COMMENTS, I'LL ASK FOR
18 SUPERVISOR MOLINA TO MAKE A MOTION FOR A-1 AND THEN WE'LL VOTE
19 ON 1, 2 AND 3. SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS?

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21 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** LET ME JUST OFFER MY ACKNOWLEDGMENT FOR
22 THE HARD WORK DONE BY MANY INDIVIDUALS, SOME OF WHOM ARE
23 VOLUNTEERS WHO SERVED ON THE RESPECTIVE COMMISSIONS,
24 SPECIFICALLY THE BOUNDARY REVIEW COMMISSION. WE THANK ALL OF
25 THEM. IN ADDITION TO THAT, I THINK IT'S APPROPRIATE TO THANK



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1 OUR STAFF, PARTICULARLY TODAY AND UP TO THE DAY WITH THE
2 EXECUTIVE OFFICE AND COUNTY COUNSEL. AND THE STAFF MEMBERS
3 FROM THE RESPECTIVE BOARD OFFICES WHO HAVE PUT A LOT OF TIME
4 AND ENERGY INTO THIS EFFORT. I HAVE AND CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN
5 THAT THE BOARD HAS AN OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE A SIGNIFICANT
6 STATEMENT TODAY. AND I HAVE AND WILL CONTINUE TO ENCOURAGE
7 THAT. WE HAVE A ROUND OF VOTING TO ENSUE. BUT I THINK THE
8 PRINCIPLE IS WHAT MATTERS. IT IS THE LAW THAT MATTERS. AND I
9 THINK WE SHOULD BE ATTENTIVE TO THAT. I DON'T HAVE A LONG SET
10 OF COMMENTS TO MAKE AT THIS POINT. WE'VE MADE THOSE COMMENTS
11 IN A NUMBER OF VENUES PUBLICLY. BUT GIVEN MY OWN BACKGROUND,
12 AND I MEAN THAT BY WAY OF PROFESSION, MY OWN HISTORY, IT'S A
13 SOURCE OF CONTINUITY, IT'S A SOURCE OF PRIDE TO HAVE STOOD IN
14 THE TRADITION TO ARGUE FROM THE PERSPECTIVE OF VOTING RIGHTS,
15 GROUNDED IN THE 1965 ACT ITSELF IN TAKING A BROAD VIEW. IT
16 SHOULD NOT BE IGNORED THAT WHEN NAMES THAT WE INVOKE WITH SUCH
17 FREQUENCY, MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., AND MOST RECENTLY WHEN IN
18 WASHINGTON, D.C. CELEBRATING THE KING MEMORIAL, CONGRESSMAN
19 JOHN LEWIS AND OTHERS WHO MARCHED ACROSS THAT EDMUND PETTUS
20 BRIDGE, THEY ESSENTIALLY CHALLENGED THE STATUS QUO. THEY WERE
21 NOT ATTEMPTING TO BE APOLOGISTS FOR THE STATUS QUO. THEY GAVE
22 NEW DEFINITION TO PATRIOTISM. AND THEY DIDN'T NECESSARILY KNOW
23 THAT WHAT THEY HAD TO SAY AND WHAT THEY WERE IN FACT DOING
24 WOULD HAVE IMPLICATIONS FOR THE VERY DEBATE THAT HAS ENSUED
25 TODAY. AND, YET, THEY WERE WILLING TO STEP FORWARD. NOT SIMPLY



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1 FOR A SINGLE ETHNIC GROUP OF THEIR OWN, NAMELY AFRICAN-
2 AMERICANS, BUT THEY WERE WILLING TO STEP FORWARD IN PURSUIT OF
3 THE HIGHEST IN AMERICAN IDEALS AS A PROMOTION OF THE
4 DEMOCRATIC PROCESS. AND SO THAT AT ITS BEST IS WHAT THE VOTING
5 RIGHTS ACT IS ABOUT. IT IS MY VIEW THAT S-2 AND T-1 SQUARE
6 MOST EFFECTIVELY WITH THE SPIRIT, THE INTENT AND THE LETTER OF
7 THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT. AND IT WOULD SEEM TO ME THAT THIS BOARD
8 COULD EMBRACE THAT FROM THE PERSPECTIVE OF WHAT IS
9 HISTORICALLY CONSISTENT WITH WHAT WOULD BE A FAIR DISPOSITION
10 OF THE MATTER BEFORE US. SO, MR. MAYOR AND COLLEAGUES, I WISH
11 TO ONCE AGAIN, PURSUANT TO THE HARD WORK OF THE COMMUNITY
12 EMPOWERMENT ADVOCATES WHO BROUGHT FORWARD S-2, PLACE IT BEFORE
13 US FOR OUR CONSIDERATION AND I SO MOVE.

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15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY SO WE HAVE A MOTION FOR THE
16 SECOND PLAN. WE'LL BEGIN WITH THE FIRST PLAN, MOTION BY
17 SUPERVISOR MOLINA.

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19 **SUP. MOLINA:** I UNDERSTAND I HAVE TO READ THIS AND I WILL. I AM
20 GOING TO MOVE TO APPROVE PLAN T-1 AS THE 2011 DECENNIAL
21 REDISTRICTING MAP FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AND ADOPT THE
22 ACCOMPANYING ORDINANCE AMENDING THE COUNTY CODE TITLE 1
23 GENERAL PROVISIONS TO REPEAL THE BOUNDARY ORDINANCE AND
24 REENACT IT TO ADJUST THE SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT BOUNDARIES IN
25 ACCORDANCE WITH THE 2011 FEDERAL DECENNIAL CENSUS AS REQUIRED



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1 BY THE ELECTIONS CODE SECTIONS 21-500. AND I THINK THAT'S THE
2 OFFICIAL LANGUAGE THAT WE NEED TO READ IN. MOTION, SUPERVISOR
3 MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS?

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5 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I'LL SECOND THAT.

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7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WE HAVE A SECOND. CALL THE ROLL.

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9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** HANG ON, BEFORE WE DO THAT. LET ME MAKE JUST
10 A COUPLE OF BRIEF COMMENTS. JUST A THANK YOU TO MEMBERS OF THE
11 COMMUNITY THAT I REPRESENT AND ALL THE OTHER COMMUNITIES FOR
12 THIS UNPRECEDENTED TURNOUT NOW. THREE HEARINGS, ESPECIALLY THE
13 LAST TWO, WHICH WERE TWO OF THE LARGEST PUBLIC HEARINGS THAT I
14 THINK I'VE EVER WITNESSED EITHER AT THE CITY, WHEN I WAS A
15 COUNCILMAN, OR HERE. THE WHOLE, IT WAS AN ELEVATED PUBLIC
16 TESTIMONY THAT WE HEARD AND I THINK IT CONTRIBUTED TO PUBLIC
17 UNDERSTANDING IF NOT THE BOARD'S UNDERSTANDING OF WHAT'S
18 BEFORE US. I WANT TO THANK MY STAFF AND ALL THE OTHER STAFFS
19 AS WELL WHO WORKED VERY HARD ON THIS. BUT I WANT TO REALLY
20 THANK MY STAFF FOR THEIR WORK. I'M NOT GOING TO SAY MUCH
21 SUBSTANTIVELY. I'VE SAID AND WRITTEN EVERYTHING THAT I NEED TO
22 SAY ON THE SUBJECT. BUT WE'LL TAKE IT FROM THERE. IF I COULD
23 JUST ASK A QUESTION. THE MOTION THAT YOU JUST MADE IS ON WHICH
24 PLAN?

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1 **SUP. MOLINA:** IT'S ON T-1.

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3 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SO IS THAT GOING TO BE THE FIRST PLAN WE
4 VOTE ON?

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6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YES. ITEM NO. 1.

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8 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ITEM NO. 1.

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10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** I'D ALSO JUST ECHO. I WANT TO THANK MY
11 STAFF, STAFF WORKING WITH THE OTHER FOUR MEMBERS ON THIS
12 AGENDA, THROUGHOUT THE ENTIRE PROCESS AND MY COMMISSIONERS.
13 AND THERE HAS BEEN A LOT OF COOPERATION WITH THE STAFFS
14 WORKING TOGETHER TRYING TO PUT THIS, BOTH PUBLIC HEARINGS
15 TOGETHER SO EVERYBODY COULD BE HEARD FAIRLY AND WE COULD HAVE
16 A FAIR HEARING. AND, AGAIN, FOR THE COMMISSIONERS THAT SERVED
17 ON THE COMMISSION.

18

19 **SUP. MOLINA:** I THINK WE SHOULD GIVE THEM A ROUND OF APPLAUSE,
20 MICHAEL. AND ALSO SACHI. [APPLAUSE.]

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SO LET US GO IN FOR NO. 1. CALL THE
23 ROLL. [LAUGHTER.]

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** OKAY. WE ARE ON ITEM NO. 1. THIS IS THE
2 FOUR-VOTE MATTER. SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

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4 **SUP. MOLINA:** AYE.

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6 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

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8 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AYE.

9

10 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?

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12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** NO.

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14 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR KNABE?

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16 **SUP. KNABE:** NO.

17

18 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

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20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** NO. MOTION FAILS. I RECOGNIZE
21 SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS TO READ IN A MOTION FOR NO. 2.

22

23 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. MAYOR, I MOVE TO APPROVE PLAN S-2 AS
24 THE 2011 DECENNIAL REDISTRICTING PLAN FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS
25 ANGELES AND ADOPT THE ACCOMPANYING ORDINANCE AMENDING THE



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1 COUNTY CODE. TITLE 1 GENERAL PROVISIONS TO REPEAL THE BOUNDARY
2 ORDINANCE AND REENACT IT TO ADJUST THE SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT
3 BOUNDARIES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE 2011 FEDERAL DECENNIAL
4 CENSUS AS REQUIRED BY THE ELECTIONS CODE SECTIONS 21-500. SO
5 MOVED.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WE HAVE A MOTION BY SUPERVISOR THOMAS.
8 SECOND BY MOLINA.

9

10 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THIS IS A FOUR VOTE ITEM. SUPERVISOR
11 MOLINA?

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA:** AYE.

14

15 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS.

16

17 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AYE.

18

19 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?

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21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** NO.

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23 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR KNABE?

24

25 **SUP. KNABE:** NO.



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2 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** NO. MOTION FAILS. I RECOGNIZE
5 SUPERVISOR KNABE.

6

7 **SUP. KNABE:** I THEREFORE MOVE TO APPROVE PLAN A-3 AS A 2011
8 DECENNIAL REDISTRICTING PLAN FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AND
9 ADOPT THE ACCOMPANYING ORDINANCE AMENDING COUNTY CODE TITLE 1
10 GENERAL PROVISIONS TO REPEAL THE BOUNDARY ORDINANCE AND
11 REENACT IT TO ADJUST THE SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT BOUNDARIES IN
12 ACCORDANCE WITH THE 2011 FEDERAL DECENNIAL CENSUS AS REQUIRED
13 BY ELECTIONS CODE SECTION 21-550.

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15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY KNABE.

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17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I'LL SECOND.

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19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SECONDED BY YAROSLAVSKY. CALL THE
20 ROLL.

21

22 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THIS IS A FOUR-VOTE ITEM. SUPERVISOR
23 MOLINA.

24

25 **SUP. MOLINA:** NO.



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1

2 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

3

4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** NO.

5

6 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YES.

9

10 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR KNABE?

11

12 **SUP. KNABE:** YES.

13

14 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YES.

17

18 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** MOTION FAILS TO CARRY.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION ALSO FAILS. OKAY. I WANT TO
21 INTRODUCE AN AMENDMENT IF THEY COULD PUT ON THE SCREEN.

22

23 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** MADAM COUNTY COUNSEL, I BELIEVE THAT
24 THERE'S A QUESTION ON THE TABLE. THERE'S A QUESTION ON THE
25 TABLE FOR CLOSED SESSION.



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2 **ANDREA ORDIN, COUNSEL:** IT IS NOTICED FOR CLOSED SESSION IF WE
3 WISH TO HAVE A CLOSED SESSION. WE CERTAINLY CAN. THERE'S
4 LITIGATION OBVIOUSLY THREATENED HERE. SO IF THAT'S WHAT YOU
5 WISH.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** COUNTY COUNSEL WANTS US TO GO INTO --

8

9 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. --

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHAT WOULD BE THE PURPOSE OF GOING INTO
12 CLOSED SESSION AT THIS POINT? WE JUST VOTED.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ON THE PROPOSED --

15

16 **ANDREA ORDIN:** IT IS THREATENED LITIGATION. WE'RE ABOUT TO SEE
17 AN AMENDMENT. AND WE CAN CERTAINLY GO INTO CLOSED SESSION.

18

19 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AND I WOULD SO MOVE.

20

21 **ANDREA ORDIN:** TO DISCUSS ANY SECTION 2 ISSUES THAT YOU MAY
22 HAVE.

23

24 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AND I WOULD SO MOVE.

25



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHY DIDN'T WE DO IT BEFORE WE VOTED ON IT?

2

3 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** BECAUSE WE DIDN'T KNOW WHAT THE VOTE
4 WAS GOING TO BE ON THE --

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** BUT WE KNEW WHAT THE ISSUES WERE BEFORE US.

7

8 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** NO, WE DIDN'T.

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** WHY DIDN'T WE HOLD A CLOSED SESSION
11 BEFOREHAND?

12

13 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. MAYOR, I WOULD SO MOVE.

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** COULD I HAVE AN EXPLANATION AS TO WHAT THE
16 PURPOSE OF THE CLOSED SESSION IS SPECIFICALLY?

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** TO GO OVER THE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS
19 THAT WOULD BE MADE RELATIVE TO THE REAPPORTIONMENT PROPOSAL
20 BEFORE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TODAY. I THINK IT WOULD BE
21 VERY SHORT. IT'S VERY MINOR, BUT I WOULD LIKE TO GET COUNSEL'S
22 INPUT.

23

24 **ANDREA ORDIN:** THAT CERTAINLY IS APPROPRIATE AND WE CAN COME
25 RIGHT BACK OUT.



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2 **SUP. KNABE:** I'LL VOTE FOR IT. IS THAT A 3-2 VOTE?

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WE'LL GO INTO CLOSED SESSION.

5

6 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS,
7 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL
8 CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM NO. CS-2, CONFERENCE
9 WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING SIGNIFICANT EXPOSURE TO
10 LITIGATION, ONE CASE, AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AND
11 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDAS. THANK YOU.

12

13

14 **[CLOSED SESSION]**

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17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WE'RE BACK IN SESSION. I'M GOING TO
18 MAKE AN AMENDMENT TO A3.

19

20 **ANDREA ORDIN, COUNSEL:** WHICH HAS NOW BEEN VOTED DOWN.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** I'M MAKING ADJUSTMENTS AND
23 RECOMMENDATIONS AND MODIFICATIONS AND CORRECTING ANOMALIES AND
24 MAKING DIFFERENT-

25



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1 **ANDREA ORDIN:** THERE'S NOTHING ON THE TABLE. WE VOTED ALL OF
2 THE PLANS DOWN AT THIS MOMENT. WE'VE CLARIFIED SOME LEGAL
3 QUESTIONS YOU HAD OF OUTSIDE COUNSEL ON THE SECTION 2.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET ME MOVE FOR RECONSIDERATION.

6

7 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** HE CAN'T ASK FOR RECONSIDERATION, IT'S A NO
8 VOTE.

9

10 **ANDREA ORDIN:** AS YOU KNOW, UNDER ROBERT'S RULES OF ORDER, A
11 MOTION FOR RECONSIDERATION CAN ONLY BE MADE BY THE PREVAILING
12 PARTY. SO IT WOULD HAVE TO EITHER CONVINCE ONE OF THE
13 PREVAILING PARTIES TO MAKE THAT MOTION TO COMPLY WITH ROBERT'S
14 RULES OF ORDER OR-- NO.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** POINT OF CLARIFICATION.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE:** CAN WE MAKE A MOTION TO SUSPEND ROBERT'S RULES OF
19 ORDER?

20

21 **ANDREA ORDIN:** YOU WOULD NOT DO IT UNDER ROBERT'S RULES OF
22 ORDER. YOU WOULD GO TO SECTION 44 OF YOUR OWN BOARD RULES. YOU
23 HAVE THE POWER AND THE ABILITY TO SUSPEND THE RULES OF THE
24 BOARD BY THREE VOTES.

25



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET ME READ THE STATEMENT FOR MOTIONS
2 UNDER ROBERT'S RULES. IT SAYS "A MOTION TO AMEND MUST BE
3 SECONDED AND DECIDED BEFORE THE UNDERLYING MOTION THAT
4 REQUIRES A FOUR-FIFTHS ADOPTION BUT DOES NOT RECEIVE FOUR-
5 FIFTHS OF THE VOTES IS CONSIDERED DEFEATED. THEREFORE THOSE
6 WHO VOTED NO ARE CONSIDERING THE PREVAILING SIDE AND MAY MAKE
7 A MOTION FOR RECONSIDERATION. A MOTION FOR RECONSIDERATION
8 REQUIRES ONLY MAJORITY VOTE EVEN THOUGH THE SUBJECT MOTION
9 NEEDS FOUR VOTES. AN AMENDMENT, A MOTION TO AMEND MUST BE
10 SECONDED AND DECIDED BEFORE THE UNDERLYING MOTION. IT ONLY
11 REQUIRES MAJORITY VOTE EVEN IF THE UNDERLYING MOTION IS
12 SUBJECT TO A FOUR-FIFTHS VOTE. MOTION TO AMEND CAN BE
13 RECONSIDERED." SO THE QUESTION IS: IS THE AMENDMENT--

14

15 **ANDREA ORDIN:** I THINK THE SIMPLEST WAY TO DO IT IS TO GO TO
16 SECTION 44 WHERE YOU HAVE THE SUSPENSION OF RULES. YOU NEED
17 THREE VOTES TO SUSPEND THE RULES. THEN YOU CAN RECONSIDER IT.
18 AND YOU'LL HAVE YOUR VOTE, WHATEVER THAT VOTE IS. AND THEN
19 YOU'D HAVE THE MAIN MOTION ON THE FLOOR. AND YOU WOULD THEN
20 HAVE YOUR AMENDMENT.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY THEN SUPERVISOR
23 KNABE.

24



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ON SECTION 44, CAN YOU TELL ME WHAT THIS
2 MEANS? "EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDE BY LAW, THESE RULES OR ANY
3 ONE THEREOF MAY BE SUSPENDED BUY ORDER OF THE BOARD?" AND THEN
4 THIS IS WHAT I WANT TO KNOW WHAT IT MEANS. "WHEN REGULARLY
5 ENTERED IN ITS MINUTES"? DO YOU HAVE THE RULES IN FRONT OF
6 YOU?

7

8 **ANDREA ORDIN:** I HAVE GOT THE RULES.

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SECTION 44 OF THE BOARD'S RULES.

11

12 **ANDREA ORDIN:** RIGHT, AT THE TIME AFTER WHATEVER YOU HAVE DONE,
13 YOU ARE JUST GOING TO PUT IT INTO THE MINUTES THROUGH YOUR
14 EXECUTIVE OFFICER.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** "BY ORDER OF THE BOARD, THESE RULES OR ANY
17 ONE OF THEM MAY BE SUSPENDED WHEN REGULARLY ENTERED IN ITS
18 MINUTES." SO IF WE SUSPENDED THE RULES AND ACTED ON SOMETHING
19 TODAY AND IT DIDN'T APPEAR IN THE MINUTES A WEEK FROM NOW, IT
20 WOULD BE INVALID? THE ACTION WE TOOK WOULD BE INVALID?

21

22 **ANDREA ORDIN:** THERE MAY BE A CAUSE OF ACTION TO SAY THAT THAT
23 WAS THEN INVALID BECAUSE YOU HADN'T COMPLIED ENTIRELY WITH 44.
24 IT CERTAINLY IS POSSIBLE. BUT WE WOULD CERTAINLY ALWAYS PUT IT
25 IN THE MINUTES.



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2 **SUP. MOLINA:** MIKE ANTONOVICH COULD ASK FOR CONSIDERATION OF T-
3 1 SINCE HE WAS ON THE PREVAILING SIDE AND WE COULD BRING IT
4 BACK UP. [LAUGHTER.]

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** THAT MAY BE THE ONLY WAY AND THEN WE COULD
7 SUBSTITUTE. THAT'S RIGHT.

8

9 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** (SARCASTIC LAUGH) .

10

11 **SUP. MOLINA:** PLAYING BY THE RULES.

12

13 **ANDREA ORDIN:** THE REASON FOR THE MOTION FOR RECONSIDERATION IN
14 ROBERT'S RULES AND THE IDEA OF MAKING IT THE PREVAILNG PARTY
15 IS SO THAT YOU DON'T SPEND DAYS ARGUING BRINGING IT BACK OVER
16 AND OVER. IT ALSO SAYS IN ROBERT'S RULES YOU TRY AND CONVINCE
17 OR PERSUADE SOMEONE ON THE OTHER SIDE TO MAKE THAT MOTION.
18 BECAUSE IT'S SUPPOSED TO BE FRIENDLY.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET ME RECOGNIZE SUPERVISOR MARK
21 RIDLEY-THOMAS.

22

23 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. MAYOR, IN LIGHT OF WHAT I'VE HEARD
24 FROM COUNTY COUNSEL AT THIS POINT, IT SEEMS RECONSIDERATION



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1 WOULD BE THE SIMPLEST WAY TO GET THE MATTER BEFORE US. AND IF
2 THAT IS CORRECT, I SO MOVE.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION AND A SECOND.

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** SECOND.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ANY OPPOSITION FOR RECONSIDER-

9

10 **SUP. MOLINA:** BUT YOU'RE NOT ON THE PREVAILING SIDE.

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I DON'T THINK YOU HAVE TO BE ON THE
13 PREVAILING SIDE TO SECOND.

14

15 **ANDREA ORDIN:** IT'S YOUR MOTION TO SUSPEND THE RULES UNDER 44.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** NO THERE'S A MOTION TO RECONSIDER.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THE MOTION BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY THOMAS
20 IS TO RECONSIDER ITEM NUMBER A-3. SO WE HAVE A MOTION ON THE
21 FLOOR.

22

23 **ANDREA ORDIN:** AND RIGHT NOW, YOU'RE IN THE POSITION OF
24 ROBERT'S RULES OF ORDER SAYING THAT IT SHOULD BE MADE BY



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1 SOMEONE WHO IS ON THE PREVAILING SIDE, I'M SORRY. YOU DID
2 PERSUADE HIM. I'M SORRY. YOU DID PERSUADE HIM.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** IS THERE ANY OBJECTION TO THAT?

5

6 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SO WE'RE ON ITEM NUMBER 3?

7

8 **ANDREA ORDIN:** THE SECOND DOES NOT HAVE TO BE ON THE PREVAILING
9 SIDE.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** IS THERE ANY OBJECTION TO THAT? OKAY.
12 SO ORDERED.

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA:** I OBJECT.

15

16 **SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA VOTING NO TO
17 OBJECT. SO MOTION CARRIES FOUR TO ONE. LET ME MAKE AN
18 AMMEDMENT TO A-3, THE FOLLOWING AMENDMENTS. THESE ARE TO
19 CORRECT SOME ANOMALIES THAT ARE IN THAT PROPOSAL THAT'S ON THE
20 TABLE AT THIS TIME. ONE IS THE REASSIGNING THAT PORTIONS OF
21 CENSUS TRACT 602302 CURRENTLY IN THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE IN THE
22 FIRST SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT BE TO MOVED TO THE SECOND
23 DISTRICT RESULTING IN THE CITY OF HAWTHORNE ENTIRELY CONTAINED
24 IN THE SECOND SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT. AND THERE IS A ZERO
25 POPULATION IMPACT. NEXT IS TO REASSIGN THAT PORTION OF CENSUS



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1 TRACTS 500403 AND 501200 CURRENTLY IN THE CITY OF PICO RIVERA
2 AND THE FOURTH DISTRICT TO THE FIRST SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT
3 RESULTING IN THE CITY OF PICO RIVERA ENTIRELY CONTAINED IN THE
4 FIRST SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT WHICH IS A ZERO POPULATION
5 IMPACT. THE NEXT IS TO REASSIGN THE PORTIONS OF CENSUS TRACT
6 930301 AND 400604 AND 400800 CURRENTLY IN THE CITY OF AZUSA
7 AND THE FIFTH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT TO THE FIRST DISTRICT
8 RESULTING IN THE CITY OF AZUSA ENTIRELY CONTAINED IN THE FIRST
9 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT AND IT'S A POPULATION IMPACT OF 295.
10 NEXT IT WOULD BE REASSIGNING TWO SEPARATE PORTIONS OF CENSUS
11 TRACT 408401 CURRENTLY IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF HACIENDA
12 HEIGHTS, ZERO POPULATION IMPACT IN THE FIRST DISTRICT, PLUS
13 THAT PORTION OF CENSUS TRACT 408202 CURRENTLY IN THE
14 UNINCORPORATED AREA AVOCADO HEIGHTS-BASSETT, 26 POPULATION
15 IMPACT AND THE FIRST DISTRICT TO THE FOURTH SUPERVISORIAL
16 DISTRICT RESULTING IN THE SOUTHERN CITY BOUNDARY FOR THE CITY
17 OF INDUSTRY NOW BEING THE SAME AS THE SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT
18 BOUNDARY. AND THIS WOULD BE TO REASSIGN THAT PORTION OF CENSUS
19 TRACT 209510 CURRENTLY IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES WITH A ZERO
20 POPULATION IMPACT AND THE SECOND DISTRICT TO THE FIRST
21 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT TO ALIGN WITH CENSUS BUREAU TRACT
22 DEFINITION FOR 209510. SO THAT WOULD BE THE MOTION THAT I
23 WOULD MOVE ON THE BOARD AGENDA.

24
25 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** WITH THE AMENDMENT.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** AS AMENDED. SECOND BY SUPERVISOR MARK
3 RIDLEY-THOMAS-- NO, BY SUPERVISOR KNABE. SUPERVISOR MARK
4 RIDLEY-THOMAS?

5

6 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. MAYOR AND COLLEAGUES, ALLOW ME TO
7 STATE THE FOLLOWING. I BELIEVE, AS I'VE SAID RATHER
8 CONSISTENTLY THAT S-2 AND/OR T-1 WOULD BE THE APPROPRIATE,
9 THAT IS TO SAY THE CORRECT REDISTRICTING MAP REFLECTING
10 APPROPRIATE COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST AND IN FACT COMPLYING WITH
11 THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT. THERE IS A RATHER OBVIOUS LACK OF
12 CONSENSUS ON A MAP HERE TODAY THAT WOULD EMBRACE S-2 AND/OR T-
13 1. AND REGRETTABLY, I THINK ULTIMATELY WE FIND OURSELVES IN A
14 CIRCUMSTANCE WHERE A FEDERAL COURT WILL LIKELY DETERMINE
15 WHETHER A SECOND EFFECTIVE DISTRICT IS IN FACT LEGALLY
16 REQUIRED. AND SO IT'S MY VIEW IN ORDER TO EXPEDITE THAT MATTER
17 AND TO AVOID FURTHER WHAT IS POTENTIALLY A DIVISIVE DELAY AND
18 AVOID UNNECESSARY, WHAT I WOULD CONSIDER THE UNNECESSARY
19 GAMBLE OF THE UNCERTAINTY OF AN UNTESTED APPEAL PROCESS, I
20 THINK WE OUGHT TO, IN FACT, HASTEN GETTING TO CLOSURE, GETTING
21 A DECISION, A RULING THAT WILL CAUSE THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT TO
22 BE COMPLIED WITH. THAT IS MY VIEW. AND I WOULD JUST WANT TO
23 PUNCTUATE THE POINT BY SAYING WHEN THERE IS NO COMPROMISE, THE
24 COURT WILL DECIDE, TO THE EXTENT THAT THAT IS THE CASE, MR.
25 MAYOR AND COLLEAGUES, I RECOGNIZE THE ITEM THAT IS BEFORE AND



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1 THE TIME IS UPON US AND WOULD BE INCLINED TO GOVERN MYSELF
2 ACCORDINGLY.

3

4 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SO THIS IS ON PLAN A-3 AS AMENDED. IT'S A
5 FOUR-VOTE ITEM. SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

6

7 **SUP. MOLINA:** NO.

8

9 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AYE.

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YES.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE:** YES.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** AYE.

16

17 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** MOTION CARRIES. [APPLAUSE.]

18

19 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** YES, WE HAVE SOME PUBLIC COMMENT.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MARTHA BARRERA? ERIC PREVEN? VICTOR
22 ALEGRIA? RHONDA REED? OSCAR JOHNSON? MR. JOHNSON? DR. DUDLEY
23 CHAPMAN? CARLOS BUENIVIDAS? GILBERT SALINAS? MARIA CASTILLO?
24 NAJI ELHADARY? ANTONIA RAMIREZ? ARNOLD SACHS? OKAY. LET'S HAVE
25 IT QUIET, MR. JOHNSON.



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2 **OSCAR JOHNSON:** YES. MY NAME IS OSCAR. I SPEAK FOR THE
3 OPPRESSED. I SPEAK FOR THE STRUGGLING POOR AND I SPEAK FOR
4 CULTURE OF CHANGE. I'D LIKE TO THANK THE MOST HIGH GOD FOR
5 PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA. THANK GOD FOR THE OBAMA FAMILY.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WAIT A MINUTE. EXCUSE ME. PLEASE,
8 LET'S LISTEN TO MR. JOHNSON RIGHT NOW. COME TO ORDER.

9

10 **OSCAR JOHNSON:** AND SPEAK ABOUT INTERNATIONAL AND SPEAK
11 DOMESTIC. IT'S WRONG FOR EUROPEAN ALLIANCE, NATO TO DESTROY
12 AFRICA AND ASIA. WE SHOULD END PRO WESTERN DICTATORSHIP. WE
13 NEED JUSTICE OVER AMERICAN DEMOCRACY. WHICH IS BECAUSE
14 _____ THAT AMERICA DISLIKE WHAT ISRAEL DISLIKE AND AMERICA
15 LIKES WHAT ISRAEL LIKES. WE SHOULD END THE ISRAEL LOBBY ON THE
16 UNITED STATES WHITE HOUSE. WE NEED A FAIR AND JUST GOVERNMENT.
17 IT'S WRONG FOR EUROPEAN ALLIES TO DESTROY AFRICA AND ASIA IT'S
18 WRONG FOR COLONEL MUAMMAR GADDAFI TO REMOVE FROM LIBYA.
19 COLONEL MUAMMAR GADDAFI IS A FRIEND TO BLACK AMERICA. IN 1973
20 COLONEL MUAMMAR GADDAFI AND HIS WIFE LEFT AFRICA AND WENT TO
21 CHICAGO AND HAD DINNER WITH THE MOST POWERFUL BLACK LEADER AT
22 THAT TIME AND HIS FAMILY AND HE GAVE THE MOST POWERFUL BLACK
23 LEADER THREE MILLION DOLLARS TO HELP LIBERATE BLACK AMERICA.
24 BUT WHEN COLONEL MUAMMAR GADDAFI WENT TO SPEAK TO THE UN, THEY
25 WALK OUT ON HIM. THEY DON'T WANT TO HEAR WHAT IS TRUTH, THEY



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1 DON'T WANT TO HEAR WHAT IS RIGHT. THERE IS ONLY TWO PEOPLE IN
2 AMERICA, SLAVE OWNERS AND SLAVES IN AMERICA. THE SOCIAL
3 SECURITY ACT AND THE BIRTH CERTIFICATE ACT HAVE BEEN TRICKS OF
4 DECEIT AND HAVE SOLD OUR SOVEREIGNTY AND THEY HAVE MADE
5 PROPERTY OF SLAVEHOLDERS CORPORATION. WE SHOULD UNITE AND WE
6 SHOULD UNITE AND WORK. WE SHOULD UNITE AND WE CAN MAKE A
7 DIFFERENCE AND WE SHOULD UNITE. WE SHOULD UNITE AND WORK FOR
8 THE COMMON GOOD OF ALL MANKIND BECAUSE SATAN IS ENEMIES WITH
9 ALL MANKIND.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, MR. JOHNSON.

12

13 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** MR. MAYOR, BEFORE WE ADJOURN THE MEETING,
14 JUST FOR THE REPORTING OUT ON ITEM CS-1 AND CS-2 THAT WAS
15 HEARD IN CLOSED SESSION TODAY, NO REPORTABLE ACTION ON BOTH
16 ITEMS. THANK YOU.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. MOTION TO ADJOURN WITHOUT
19 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

20

21 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THANK YOU.

22

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